

# EXHIBIT 1

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

ERIC OLLILA, Individually and on Behalf of All  
Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

BABCOCK & WILCOX ENTERPRISES, INC.,  
E. JAMES FERLAND and JENNY L. APKER,

Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO.: 3:17-CV-00109

**STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT OF SETTLEMENT**

This Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement dated June 21, 2019 (“Stipulation”) is entered into between Court-appointed Lead Plaintiff Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (“Lead Plaintiff”), on behalf of itself and the Settlement Class (as defined below in ¶ 1(qq)), and defendants Babcock & Wilcox Enterprises, Inc. (“B&W” or the “Company”), E. James Ferland, and Jenny L. Apker (collectively, “Defendants” and together with Lead Plaintiff, the “Parties”), by and through their respective counsel, and embodies the terms and conditions of the settlement of the above-captioned action (“Action”).<sup>1</sup> Subject to the approval of the Court and the terms and conditions expressly provided herein, this Stipulation is intended to fully, finally and forever compromise, settle, release, resolve and dismiss with prejudice all claims asserted in the Action against Defendants.

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<sup>1</sup> All terms with initial capitalization not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in ¶ 1 herein.

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WHEREAS:

A. On March 3, 2017, the initial complaint was filed in the Action. In accordance with the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4, as amended (“PSLRA”), notice to the public was issued stating the deadline by which putative class members could move the Court for appointment as lead plaintiff.

B. By Order dated May 24, 2017, the Court appointed Arkansas Teacher Retirement System as Lead Plaintiff, Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP as Lead Counsel and Blue LLP as Liaison Counsel.

C. On July 10, 2017, Lead Plaintiff filed the Consolidated Amended Complaint for Violations of Federal Securities Laws, asserting claims under §§ 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Exchange Act”), 15 U.S.C. §§ 78j(b) and 78t(a), and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder, against Defendants.

D. On August 29, 2017, pursuant to Lead Plaintiff’s request, the Court granted Lead Plaintiff permission to file a second consolidated class action complaint in the Action.

E. On September 28, 2017, Lead Plaintiff, along with additional named plaintiffs St. Paul Electrical Construction Pension Plan, St. Paul Electrical Construction Works Supplemental Pension Plan, and St. Paul Electrical Workers Retirement Medical Funding Plan, filed the operative complaint in the Action—the Second Amended Consolidated Complaint for Violations of Federal Securities Laws (“Complaint”).<sup>2</sup> As with the previous complaint, the Complaint asserted claims under §§ 10(b) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 78j(b) and 78t(a), and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder, against Defendants.

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<sup>2</sup> On October 30, 2018, St. Paul Electrical Construction Pension Plan, St. Paul Electrical Construction Workers Supplemental Pension Plan, and St. Paul Electrical Workers Retirement Medical Funding Plan filed a notice of withdrawal as “additional named plaintiff” in the Action.

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F. Defendants moved to dismiss the Complaint on November 13, 2017. On December 28, 2017, Lead Plaintiff filed its opposition to Defendants' motion to dismiss, and on January 29, 2018, Defendants filed their reply in support of their motion.

G. By Order dated February 8, 2018, the Court denied Defendants' motion to dismiss the Complaint in its entirety.

H. Defendants filed their answer to the Complaint on March 26, 2018.

I. On April 17, 2018, the Court entered a Pretrial Order and Case Management Plan, and the parties vigorously pursued fact discovery thereafter.

J. While discovery was ongoing, the Parties agreed to discuss a possible resolution of the Action. To facilitate their negotiations, the Parties scheduled a formal mediation with the Hon. Layn R. Phillips (Ret.) of Phillips ADR for December 14, 2018. In advance of the mediation, the Parties submitted detailed mediation statements. Although the Parties were unable to reach a resolution of the Action at the initial mediation, they continued their discussions with the assistance of Judge Phillips, and participated in a second mediation on April 16, 2019. Following continued discussions, the Parties agreed to resolve the matter for \$19.5 million. On April 16, 2019, the Parties executed a term sheet setting forth the material terms of their agreement.

K. This Stipulation (together with the exhibits hereto and the Supplemental Agreement described in ¶ 37) reflects the final and binding agreement between the Parties and supersedes the Term Sheet.

L. Based upon their investigation, prosecution, and mediation of the case, Lead Plaintiff and Lead Counsel have concluded that the terms and conditions of this Stipulation are fair, reasonable, and adequate to Lead Plaintiff and the Settlement Class, and in their best interests. Based on Lead Plaintiff's direct oversight of the prosecution of this matter and with the advice of

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its counsel, Lead Plaintiff has agreed to settle and release the Released Plaintiff's Claims (as defined below in ¶ 1(II)) as against Defendants pursuant to the terms and provisions of this Stipulation, after considering, among other things: (i) the financial benefit that the Settlement Class will receive under the proposed Settlement; and (ii) the significant risks and costs of continued litigation and trial.

M. All of the Defendants deny, and continue to deny, that they have committed any act or omission giving rise to any liability under the Exchange Act, or Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder. Specifically, Defendants expressly have denied, and continue to deny, each and all of the claims alleged by Lead Plaintiff in the Action, including without limitation, any liability arising out of any of the conduct, statements, acts, or omissions alleged, or that could have been alleged, in the Action. Defendants also have denied, and continue to deny, among other allegations, the allegations that Lead Plaintiff or the Settlement Class have suffered any damages, or that Lead Plaintiff or the Settlement Class were harmed by the conduct alleged in the Action or that they could have alleged as part of the Action. In addition, Defendants maintain that they have meritorious defenses to all claims alleged in the Action.

N. As set forth below, neither the Settlement nor any of the terms of this Stipulation shall constitute an admission or finding of any fault, liability, wrongdoing, or damages whatsoever or any infirmity in the defenses that Defendants have, or could have, asserted. Defendants have determined that it is desirable and beneficial to them that the Action be settled in the manner and upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Stipulation. Similarly, this Stipulation shall in no event be construed or deemed to be evidence of or an admission or concession on the part of Lead Plaintiff of any infirmity in any of the claims asserted in the Action, or an admission or concession that any of Defendants' defenses to liability had any merit. Each of the Parties recognizes and

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acknowledges, however, that the Action has been initiated, filed, and prosecuted by Lead Plaintiff in good faith and defended by Defendants in good faith, and that the Action is being voluntarily settled with the advice of counsel.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and among Lead Plaintiff (individually and on behalf of all members of the Settlement Class) and Defendants, by and through their respective undersigned attorneys and subject to the approval of the Court pursuant to Rule 23(e) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, that, in consideration of the benefits flowing to the Parties from the Settlement, all Released Plaintiff's Claims as against the Defendant Releasees and all Released Defendants' Claims as against the Plaintiff Releasees shall be settled and released, upon and subject to the terms and conditions set forth below.

**DEFINITIONS**

1. As used in this Stipulation and any exhibits attached hereto and made a part hereof, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

(a) "Action" means *Ollila v. Babcock & Wilcox Enterprises, Inc. et al.*, Civil Action No.: 3:17-CV-00109 (W.D.N.C.).

(b) "Alternative Judgment" means a form of final judgment that may be entered by the Court herein but in a form other than the form of Judgment provided for in this Stipulation.

(c) "Authorized Claimant" means a Settlement Class Member who or which submits a Claim Form to the Claims Administrator that is approved by the Court for payment from the Net Settlement Fund.

(d) "B&W" or the "Company" means Babcock & Wilcox Enterprises, Inc.

(e) "Claim" means a paper claim submitted on a Proof of Claim Form or an electronic claim that is submitted to the Claims Administrator.

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(f) “Claim Form” or “Proof of Claim Form” means the form, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A(2) to Exhibit A, that a Claimant must complete and submit to the Claims Administrator in order to be eligible to share in a distribution of the Net Settlement Fund.

(g) “Claimant” means a person or entity who or which submits a Claim Form to the Claims Administrator seeking to be eligible to share in the Net Settlement Fund.

(h) “Claims Administrator” means JND Legal Administration LLC, the firm retained by Lead Counsel, subject to approval of the Court, to provide all notices approved by the Court to potential Settlement Class Members in the Action and to administer the Settlement.

(i) “Class Distribution Order” means an order entered by the Court authorizing and directing that the Net Settlement Fund be distributed, in whole or in part, to Authorized Claimants.

(j) “Class Period” means the period of time from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive.

(k) “Complaint” means the Second Amended Consolidated Complaint for Violations of Federal Securities Laws filed in the Action on September 28, 2017.

(l) “Court” means the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina.

(m) “Defendants” means Babcock & Wilcox Enterprises, Inc., E. James Ferland, and Jenny L. Apker.

(n) “Defendants’ Counsel” means the law firm of Alston & Bird LLP.

(o) “Defendant Releasees” means (i) Defendants and their attorneys; (ii) the Defendants’ respective Immediate Family members, heirs, trusts, trustees, executors, estates,

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administrators, beneficiaries, agents, affiliates, insurers and reinsurers, predecessors, predecessors-in-interest, successors, successors-in-interest, assigns, advisors and associates of each of the foregoing; and (iii) all current and former officers, directors, and employees of B&W, in their capacities as such.

(p) “Effective Date” with respect to the Settlement means the first date by which all of the events and conditions specified in ¶ 33 of this Stipulation have been met and have occurred or have been waived.

(q) “Escrow Account” means an account maintained at Valley National Bank wherein the Settlement Amount shall be deposited and held in escrow under the control of Lead Counsel.

(r) “Escrow Agent” means Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP.

(s) “Escrow Agreement” means the agreement between Lead Counsel and the Escrow Agent setting forth the terms under which the Escrow Agent shall maintain the Escrow Account.

(t) “Final,” with respect to the Judgment or, if applicable, the Alternative Judgment, or any other court order means: (i) if no appeal is filed, the expiration date of the time provided for filing or noticing of any appeal under the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, *i.e.*, thirty (30) days after entry of the Judgment or order; or (ii) if there is an appeal from the Judgment or order, (a) the date of final dismissal of all such appeals, or the final dismissal of any proceeding on certiorari or otherwise, or (b) the date the Judgment or order is finally affirmed on an appeal, the expiration of the time to file a petition for a writ of certiorari or other form of review, or the denial of a writ of certiorari or other form of review, and, if certiorari or other form of review is granted, the date of final affirmance following review pursuant to that grant. However, any appeal



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or proceeding seeking subsequent judicial review pertaining solely to an order issued with respect to: (i) attorneys' fees, costs or expenses; or (ii) the plan of allocation for the Settlement proceeds (as submitted or subsequently modified), shall not in any way delay or preclude the Judgment or, if applicable, the Alternative Judgment, from becoming Final.

(u) "Immediate Family" means children, stepchildren, grandchildren, parents, stepparents, grandparents, spouses, siblings, mothers-in-law, fathers-in-law, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, brothers-in-law, and sisters-in-law. As used in this definition, "spouse" shall mean a husband, a wife, or a partner in a state recognized domestic relationship or civil union.

(v) "Judgment" means the final judgment with dismissal and with prejudice, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B, to be entered by the Court approving the Settlement.

(w) "Lead Counsel" means the law firm of Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP.

(x) "Lead Plaintiff" means Arkansas Teacher Retirement System.

(y) "Liaison Counsel" means Blue LLP.

(z) "Litigation Expenses" means the costs and expenses incurred by Plaintiff's Counsel and Liaison Counsel in connection with commencing, prosecuting and settling the Action (which may include the costs and expenses of Lead Plaintiff directly related to its representation of the Settlement Class), for which Plaintiff's Counsel intend to apply to the Court for reimbursement from the Settlement Fund.

(aa) "Net Settlement Fund" means the Settlement Fund less: (i) any Taxes and Tax Expenses; (ii) any Notice and Administration Costs; (iii) any Litigation Expenses awarded by the Court; and (iv) any attorneys' fees awarded by the Court.

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(bb) “Notice” means the Notice of (I) Pendency of Class Action and Proposed Settlement; (II) Motion for an Award of Attorneys’ Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses; and (III) Settlement Fairness Hearing, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A(1) to Exhibit A, which is to be mailed or e-mailed to Settlement Class Members.

(cc) “Notice and Administration Costs” means the costs, fees and expenses that are incurred by the Claims Administrator and/or Lead Counsel in connection with: (i) providing notices to the Settlement Class; and (ii) administering the Settlement, including but not limited to the Claims process, as well as the costs, fees and expenses incurred in connection with the Escrow Account.

(dd) “Parties” means Defendants and Lead Plaintiff, on behalf of itself and the Settlement Class.

(ee) “Plaintiff Releasees” means (i) Lead Plaintiff, its attorneys and all other Settlement Class Members; (ii) the current and former parents, affiliates, subsidiaries, successors, predecessors, assigns, and assignees of each of the foregoing in (i); and (iii) the current and former officers, directors, Immediate Family members, heirs, trusts, trustees, executors, estates, administrators, beneficiaries, agents, affiliates, insurers, reinsurers, predecessors, predecessors-in-interest, successors, successors-in-interest, assigns and advisors of each of the persons or entities listed in (i) and (ii), in their capacities as such.

(ff) “Plaintiff’s Counsel” means Lead Counsel, Kessler Topaz Meltzer & Check, LLP and Labaton Sucharow LLP.

(gg) “Plan of Allocation” means the proposed plan set forth in the Notice to be utilized for determining the allocation of the Net Settlement Fund, as submitted or subsequently modified.

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(hh) “Preliminary Approval Order” means the order, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, to be entered by the Court preliminarily approving the Settlement and directing that notice of the Settlement be provided to the Settlement Class.

(ii) “PSLRA” means the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4, as amended.

(jj) “Released Claims” means all Released Defendants’ Claims and all Released Plaintiff’s Claims.

(kk) “Released Defendants’ Claims” means all claims and causes of action of every nature and description, whether known claims or Unknown Claims, whether arising under federal, state, local, common, statutory, administrative or foreign law, or any other law, rule or regulation, at law or in equity, whether class or individual in nature, whether accrued or unaccrued, whether liquidated or unliquidated, whether matured or unmatured, that arise out of or relate in any way to the institution, prosecution, or settlement of the claims against Defendants. “Released Defendants’ Claims” do not include any claims relating to the enforcement of the Settlement.

(ll) “Released Plaintiff’s Claims” means all claims and causes of action of every nature and description, whether known claims or Unknown Claims, whether arising under federal, state, local, common, statutory, administrative or foreign law, or any other law, rule or regulation, at law or in equity, whether class or individual in nature, whether accrued or unaccrued, whether liquidated or unliquidated, whether matured or unmatured, that Lead Plaintiff or any other member of the Settlement Class: (i) asserted in the Action or (ii) could have asserted in any court or forum that arise out of or are based upon the allegations, transactions, facts, matters or occurrences, representations, or omissions set forth in the Action and that relate to the purchase of B&W publicly-traded common stock on the NYSE or other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, and

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the purchase of B&W stock on the NYSE on a “when issued” basis during the Class Period. “Released Plaintiff’s Claims” do not include (i) any claims relating to the enforcement of the Settlement; (ii) any of the claims asserted in the following actions: *In re Babcock & Wilcox Enterprises, Inc. Shareholder Derivative Litigation*, No. 3:18-cv-00347-MOC-DCK (W.D.N.C.); *Marks ex rel. Babcock & Wilcox, Enterprises, Inc. v. Ferland, et al.*, No. 18cvs21193 (N.C. Super. Ct., Mecklenburg Cty.); or (iii) any claims of any person or entity who or which submits a request for exclusion from the Settlement Class that is accepted by the Court.

(mm) “Releasee(s)” means each and any of the Defendant Releasees and each and any of the Plaintiff Releasees.

(nn) “Releases” means the releases set forth in ¶¶ 5-6 of this Stipulation.

(oo) “Settlement” means the settlement between Lead Plaintiff and Defendants on the terms and conditions set forth in this Stipulation.

(pp) “Settlement Amount” means Nineteen Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$19,500,000) to be paid pursuant to ¶ 8 of this Stipulation.

(qq) “Settlement Class” means all persons and entities who purchased B&W publicly-traded common stock on the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”), on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or who purchased B&W stock on the NYSE on a “when issued” basis during the period from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive. Excluded from the Settlement Class are: (i) Defendants; (ii) members of the Immediate Family of any Defendant who is an individual; (iii) any person who was an officer or director of B&W during the Class Period; (iv) any firm, trust, corporation, or other entity in which any Defendant has or had a controlling interest; (v) B&W’s employee retirement and benefit plan(s) and their participants or beneficiaries,

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to the extent they made purchases through such plan(s); and (vi) the legal representatives, affiliates, heirs, successors-in-interest, or assigns of any such excluded person.

(rr) “Settlement Class Member” means each person and entity who or which is a member of the Settlement Class.

(ss) “Settlement Fairness Hearing” means the hearing set by the Court under Rule 23(e)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to consider final approval of the Settlement.

(tt) “Settlement Fund” means the Settlement Amount plus any and all interest earned thereon while in escrow.

(uu) “Summary Notice” means the Summary Notice of (I) Pendency of Class Action and Proposed Settlement; (II) Motion for an Award of Attorneys’ Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses; and (III) Settlement Fairness Hearing, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A(3) to Exhibit A, to be published as set forth in the Preliminary Approval Order.

(vv) “Taxes” means: (i) all federal, state, and/or local taxes of any kind (including any estimated taxes, interest or penalties thereon) arising with respect to any income earned by the Settlement Fund, including any taxes or tax detriments that may be imposed upon the Releasees or their counsel with respect to any income earned by the Settlement Fund for any period after the deposit of the Settlement Amount in the Escrow Account during which the Settlement Fund does not qualify as a “qualified settlement fund” for federal or state income tax purposes; and (ii) all taxes imposed on payments by the Settlement Fund, including withholding taxes.

(ww) “Tax Expenses” means the expenses and costs incurred by Lead Counsel in connection with determining the amount of, and paying, any taxes owed by the Settlement Fund (including, without limitation, expenses of tax attorneys and/or accountants and mailing and

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distribution costs and expenses relating to filing (or failing to file) tax returns for the Settlement Fund).

(xx) “Unknown Claims” means any Released Plaintiff’s Claims which Lead Plaintiff or any other Settlement Class Member does not know or suspect to exist in his, her or its favor at the time of the release of such claims, and any Released Defendants’ Claims which any Defendant does not know or suspect to exist in his or its favor at the time of the release of such claims, which, if known by him, her or it, might have affected his, her or its decision(s) with respect to this Settlement, including, but not limited to, whether or not to object to the Settlement or to the release of the Released Claims. With respect to any and all Released Claims, the Parties stipulate and agree that, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Lead Plaintiff and Defendants shall expressly waive, and each of the Settlement Class Members shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Judgment or the Alternative Judgment, if applicable, shall have, expressly waived, the provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States, or principle of common law or foreign law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to California Civil Code §1542, which provides:

**A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS WHICH THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.**

The Parties acknowledge that they may hereafter discover facts in addition to or different from those which he, she or it or their counsel now knows or believes to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Released Claims, but, upon the Effective Date, Lead Plaintiff and Defendants shall expressly settle and release, and each of the other Settlement Class Members shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Judgment or the Alternative Judgment, if applicable, shall have,

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settled and released, any and all Released Claims without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such different or additional facts. Lead Plaintiff and Defendants acknowledge, and each of the other Settlement Class Members shall be deemed by operation of the Judgment or the Alternative Judgment, if applicable, to have acknowledged, that the foregoing waiver was separately bargained for and is a key element of the Settlement of which this release is a part.

**PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT**

2. Promptly upon execution of this Stipulation, Lead Plaintiff will move for preliminary approval of the Settlement and the scheduling of a hearing for consideration of, *inter alia*, final approval of the Settlement and Lead Counsel's application for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. Concurrently with the motion for preliminary approval, Lead Plaintiff shall apply to the Court for entry of the Preliminary Approval Order, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**CLASS CERTIFICATION**

3. Solely for the purpose of the Settlement, the Parties hereby stipulate and agree to: (a) certification of the Action as a class action, pursuant to Rules 23(a) and (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, consistent with the definition of the Settlement Class; (b) appointment of Lead Plaintiff as representative for the Settlement Class; and (c) appointment of Lead Counsel as Class Counsel pursuant to Rule 23(g) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Lead Plaintiff will move for entry of the Preliminary Approval Order, which will certify the Action to proceed as a class action for settlement purposes only. Defendants expressly reserve the right to contest class certification in the event that the Effective Date does not occur.



**RELEASE OF CLAIMS**

4. The obligations incurred pursuant to this Stipulation are in consideration of: (i) the full and final disposition of the Action as against Defendants; and (ii) the Releases provided for herein.

5. Pursuant to the Judgment, or the Alternative Judgment, if applicable, without further action by anyone, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Lead Plaintiff and each of the other Settlement Class Members, on behalf of themselves, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors and assigns in their capacities as such, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of law and of the Judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived and discharged each and every Released Plaintiff's Claim against the Defendant Releasees, and shall forever be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Plaintiff's Claims against any of the Defendant Releasees.

6. Pursuant to the Judgment, or the Alternative Judgment, if applicable, without further action by anyone, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Defendants, on behalf of themselves, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors and assigns in their capacities as such, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of law and of the Judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived and discharged each and every Released Defendants' Claim against the Plaintiff Releasees, and shall forever be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Defendants' Claims against any of the Plaintiff Releasees.



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7. Notwithstanding ¶¶ 5-6 above, nothing in the Judgment, or the Alternative Judgment, if applicable, shall bar any action by any of the Parties to enforce or effectuate the terms of this Stipulation or the Judgment, or Alternative Judgment, if applicable.

**THE SETTLEMENT CONSIDERATION**

8. In consideration of the full settlement of the claims asserted in the Action against Defendants and the Releases specified in ¶¶ 4-7 above, Defendants shall pay or cause to be paid the Settlement Amount by check or in cash into the Escrow Account within ten (10) business days after the Court's entry of the Preliminary Approval Order. Lead Plaintiff will provide to Defendants' Counsel all information necessary to effectuate a transfer of funds to the Escrow Account, including the bank name and ABA routing number, account number, and a signed Form W-9 reflecting the taxpayer identification for the Settlement Fund.

**USE OF SETTLEMENT FUND**

9. The Settlement Fund shall be used to pay: (a) any Taxes and Tax Expenses; (b) any Notice and Administration Costs; (c) any Litigation Expenses awarded by the Court; and (d) any attorneys' fees awarded by the Court. Under no circumstances will Defendants or any of the other Defendant Releasees be required to pay more than the Settlement Amount. The balance remaining in the Settlement Fund, that is, the Net Settlement Fund, shall be distributed to Authorized Claimants as provided in ¶¶ 20-31 below.

10. Except as provided herein or pursuant to orders of the Court, the Net Settlement Fund shall remain in the Escrow Account prior to the Effective Date. All funds held by the Escrow Agent shall be deemed to be in the custody of the Court and shall remain subject to the jurisdiction of the Court until such time as the funds shall be distributed or returned pursuant to the terms of this Stipulation and/or further order of the Court. At the written direction of Lead Counsel, the

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Escrow Agent shall invest any funds in the Escrow Account exclusively in instruments or accounts backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government or fully insured by the United States Government or an agency thereof, including a United States Treasury Fund or a bank account that is either (a) fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (“FDIC”) or (b) secured by instruments backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government. The Escrow Agent shall reinvest the proceeds of these instruments or accounts as they mature in similar instruments or accounts at their then-current market rates.

11. The Escrow Agent shall not disburse the Settlement Fund except as provided in this Stipulation. The Parties agree that the Settlement Fund is intended to be a Qualified Settlement Fund within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-1 and that Lead Counsel, as administrator of the Settlement Fund within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-2(k)(3), shall be solely responsible for filing or causing to be filed all informational and other tax returns as may be necessary or appropriate (including, without limitation, the returns described in Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-2(k)) for the Settlement Fund. Lead Counsel shall also be responsible for causing payment to be made from the Settlement Fund of any Taxes or Tax Expenses owed with respect to the Settlement Fund. Upon written request, the Company will provide to Lead Counsel the statement described in Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-3(e). Lead Counsel, as administrator of the Settlement Fund within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-2(k)(3), shall timely make such elections as are necessary or advisable to carry out this paragraph, including, as necessary, making a “relation back election,” as described in Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-1(j), to cause the Qualified Settlement Fund to come into existence at the earliest allowable date, and shall take or cause to be taken all actions as may be necessary or appropriate in connection therewith.

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12. All Taxes and Tax Expenses shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund, and in all events the Defendant Releasees shall have no liability or responsibility whatsoever for the payment of Taxes or Tax Expenses. Taxes and Tax Expenses shall be timely paid by the Escrow Agent pursuant to the disbursement instructions to be set forth in the Escrow Agreement, and without further order of the Court, and Lead Counsel shall be authorized (notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary) to withhold from distribution to Authorized Claimants any funds necessary to pay such amounts, including the establishment of adequate reserves for any Taxes and Tax Expenses (as well as any amounts that may be required to be withheld under Treas. Reg. §1.468B-2(l)(2)). The Parties hereto agree to cooperate with the Escrow Agent, each other, and their tax attorneys and accountants to the extent reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of ¶¶ 11 and 12 of this Stipulation.

13. The Settlement is not a claims-made settlement. Upon the occurrence of the Effective Date, no Defendant, Defendant Releasee, or any other person or entity who or which paid any portion of the Settlement Amount shall have any right to the return of the Settlement Fund or any portion thereof for any reason whatsoever, including without limitation, the number of Claim Forms submitted, the collective amount of Recognized Claims of Authorized Claimants, the percentage of recovery of losses, or the amounts to be paid to Authorized Claimants from the Net Settlement Fund.

14. Prior to the Effective Date of the Settlement, Lead Counsel may pay from the Settlement Fund, without further approval from Defendants or further order of the Court, all Notice and Administration Costs actually incurred and paid or payable. Such costs and expenses shall include, without limitation, the actual costs of printing and mailing the Notice and Claim Form, publishing the Summary Notice, reimbursements to nominee owners for forwarding the Notice

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and Claim Form to their beneficial owners, the administrative expenses incurred and fees charged by the Claims Administrator in connection with providing notice, administering the Settlement (including processing submitted Claims), and the fees, if any, of the Escrow Agent. In the event that the Settlement is terminated pursuant to the terms of this Stipulation, all Notice and Administration Costs paid or incurred, including any related fees, shall not be returned or repaid to Defendants, any of the other Defendant Releasees or any other person or entity who or which paid any portion of the Settlement Amount.

**ATTORNEYS' FEES AND LITIGATION EXPENSES**

15. Lead Counsel will apply to the Court for a collective award of attorneys' fees to Plaintiff's Counsel and Liaison Counsel to be paid from (and out of) the Settlement Fund. Lead Counsel also will apply to the Court for reimbursement of Plaintiff's Counsel's and Liaison Counsel's Litigation Expenses, which may include a request for reimbursement of Lead Plaintiff's costs and expenses directly related to its representation of the Settlement Class, to be paid from (and out of) the Settlement Fund. Lead Counsel's application for an award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses is not the subject of any agreement between Defendants and Lead Plaintiff other than what is set forth in this Stipulation.

16. Any attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses that are awarded by the Court shall be paid to Plaintiff's Counsel and Liaison Counsel immediately upon award, notwithstanding the existence of any timely filed objections thereto, or potential for appeal therefrom, or collateral attack on the Settlement or any part thereof, subject to Plaintiff's Counsel and Liaison Counsel's obligation to make appropriate refunds or repayments to the Settlement Fund, plus accrued interest at the same net rate as is earned by the Settlement Fund, if the Settlement is terminated pursuant to the terms of this Stipulation or if, as a result of any appeal or further proceedings on remand, or

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successful collateral attack, the award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses is reduced or reversed and such order reducing or reversing the award has become Final. Plaintiff's Counsel and Liaison Counsel shall make the appropriate refund or repayment in full no later than thirty (30) calendar days after: (a) receiving from Defendants' Counsel notice of the termination of the Settlement; or (b) any order reducing or reversing the award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses has become Final.

17. The procedure for, the allowance or disallowance of, and the amount of any attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses are not necessary terms of this Stipulation, are not conditions of the Settlement embodied herein, and shall be considered separately from the Court's consideration of the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the Settlement. Neither Lead Plaintiff nor Lead Counsel may cancel or terminate the Settlement based on this Court's or any appellate court's ruling with respect to attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses, and any appeal from any order awarding attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses or any reversal or modification of any such order shall not affect or delay the finality of the Judgment.

18. Plaintiff's Counsel shall allocate the attorneys' fees awarded in a manner which they, in good faith, believe reflects the contributions of such counsel to the institution, prosecution, and settlement of the Action. The Defendant Releasees shall have no responsibility for or liability whatsoever with respect to the allocation or award of attorneys' fees or Litigation Expenses.

19. The attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses that are awarded to Plaintiff's Counsel and Liaison Counsel pursuant to this Stipulation shall be payable solely from the Settlement Fund. With the sole exception of Defendants' obligation to cause the Settlement Amount to be paid into the Escrow Account pursuant to ¶ 8 above, Defendant Releasees shall have no responsibility for, and no liability whatsoever with respect to, any payment of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation

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Expenses to Plaintiff's Counsel and Liaison Counsel pursuant to this Stipulation, or for any other attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses incurred by or on behalf of any other Settlement Class Member in connection with this Action or the Settlement.

**NOTICE AND SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION**

20. As part of the Preliminary Approval Order, Lead Plaintiff shall seek appointment of a Claims Administrator. The Claims Administrator shall administer the Settlement, including but not limited to the process of receiving, reviewing and approving or denying Claims, under Lead Counsel's supervision and subject to the jurisdiction of the Court. Other than Defendants' obligation to provide Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator with B&W's shareholder lists as provided in ¶ 21 below, none of Defendants, nor any of the other Defendant Releasees, shall have any involvement in or any responsibility, authority or liability whatsoever for the selection of the Claims Administrator, the Plan of Allocation, the administration of the Settlement, the Claims process, or disbursement of the Net Settlement Fund, and shall have no liability whatsoever to any person or entity, including, but not limited to, Lead Plaintiff, any other Settlement Class Members or Plaintiff's Counsel in connection with the foregoing. Defendants' Counsel shall cooperate in the administration of the Settlement to the extent reasonably necessary to effectuate its terms.

21. In accordance with the terms of the Preliminary Approval Order to be entered by the Court, Lead Counsel shall cause the Claims Administrator to mail, or email, the Notice and Claim Form to those members of the Settlement Class as may be identified through reasonable effort. Lead Counsel shall also cause the Claims Administrator to have the Summary Notice published in accordance with the terms of the Preliminary Approval Order to be entered by the Court. For the purposes of identifying and providing notice to the Settlement Class, within five (5) business days after the Court's entry of the Preliminary Approval Order, the Company shall



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provide to Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator, at no cost to the Settlement Fund, Lead Plaintiff or the Settlement Class, Plaintiff's Counsel or the Claims Administrator, shareholder lists of purchasers of record (consisting of names and addresses, as well as e-mail addresses if available) during the Class Period in electronic format, such as Excel.

22. The Claims Administrator shall receive Claims and determine first, whether the Claim is a valid Claim, in whole or in part, and second, each Authorized Claimant's *pro rata* share of the Net Settlement Fund as calculated pursuant to the proposed Plan of Allocation set forth in the Notice attached hereto as Exhibit A(1) to Exhibit A (or such other plan of allocation as the Court approves).

23. The Plan of Allocation proposed in the Notice is not a necessary term of the Settlement or of this Stipulation, and it is not a condition of the Settlement or of this Stipulation that any particular plan of allocation be approved by the Court. Lead Plaintiff and Lead Counsel may not cancel or terminate the Settlement (or this Stipulation) based on this Court's or any appellate court's ruling with respect to the Plan of Allocation or any other plan of allocation approved in this Action. Defendants and the other Defendant Releasees shall not object in any way to the Plan of Allocation or any other plan of allocation in this Action. No Defendant, nor any other Defendant Releasees, shall have any involvement with or liability, obligation or responsibility whatsoever for the application of the Court-approved plan of allocation.

24. Any Settlement Class Member who does not submit a valid Claim Form will not be entitled to receive any distribution from the Net Settlement Fund, but will otherwise be bound by all of the terms of this Stipulation and Settlement, including the terms of the Judgment or, the Alternative Judgment, if applicable, to be entered in the Action and the Releases provided for herein and therein, and will be permanently barred and enjoined from bringing any action, claim,

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or other proceeding of any kind against the Defendant Releasees with respect to the Released Plaintiff's Claims in the event that the Effective Date occurs with respect to the Settlement.

25. Lead Counsel shall be responsible for supervising the administration of the Settlement and the disbursement of the Net Settlement Fund subject to Court approval. No Defendant, or any other Defendant Releasees, shall be permitted to review, contest or object to any Claim, or any decision of the Claims Administrator or Lead Counsel with respect to accepting or rejecting any Claim, nor shall any Defendant Releasee have any responsibility for, interest in, or liability for any decision. Lead Counsel shall have the right, but not the obligation, to waive what it deems to be formal or technical defects in any Claims submitted in the interests of achieving substantial justice.

26. For purposes of determining the extent, if any, to which a Settlement Class Member shall be entitled to be treated as an Authorized Claimant, the following conditions shall apply:

(a) Each Claimant shall be required to submit a Claim in paper form, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A(2) to Exhibit A, or in electronic form, in accordance with the instructions for the submission of such Claims, and supported by such documents as are designated therein, including proof of the Claimant's claimed loss, or such other documents or proof as the Claims Administrator or Lead Counsel, in its discretion, may deem acceptable;

(b) All Claims must be submitted by the date set by the Court in the Preliminary Approval Order and specified in the Notice. Any Settlement Class Member who fails to submit a Claim by such date shall be forever barred from receiving any distribution from the Net Settlement Fund or payment pursuant to this Stipulation (unless by Order of the Court such Settlement Class Member's Claim Form is accepted), but shall in all other respects be bound by all of the terms of



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this Stipulation and the Settlement, including the terms of the Judgment or Alternative Judgment, if applicable, and the Releases provided for herein and therein, and will be permanently barred and enjoined from bringing any action, claim or other proceeding of any kind against any Defendants' Releasees with respect to any Released Plaintiff's Claim. A Claim Form shall be deemed to be submitted when postmarked, if received with a postmark indicated on the envelope and if mailed by first-class mail and addressed in accordance with the instructions thereon. In all other cases, the Claim Form shall be deemed to have been submitted on the date when actually received by the Claims Administrator;

(c) Each Claim shall be submitted to and reviewed by the Claims Administrator who shall determine in accordance with this Stipulation and the plan of allocation the extent, if any, to which each Claim shall be allowed, subject to review by the Court pursuant to subparagraph (e) below as necessary;

(d) Claims that do not meet the submission requirements may be rejected. Prior to rejecting a Claim in whole or in part, the Claims Administrator shall communicate with the Claimant in writing, to give the Claimant the chance to remedy any curable deficiencies in the Claim Form submitted. The Claims Administrator shall notify, in a timely fashion and in writing, all Claimants whose Claim the Claims Administrator proposes to reject in whole or in part, setting forth the reasons therefor, and shall indicate in such notice that the Claimant whose Claim is to be rejected has the right to review by the Court if the Claimant so desires and complies with the requirements of subparagraph (e) below; and

(e) If any Claimant whose Claim has been rejected in whole or in part desires to contest such rejection, the Claimant must, within twenty (20) days after the date of mailing of the notice required in subparagraph (d) above, serve upon the Claims Administrator a notice and

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statement of reasons indicating the Claimant's grounds for contesting the rejection along with any supporting documentation, and requesting a review thereof by the Court. If a dispute concerning a Claim cannot be otherwise resolved, Lead Counsel shall thereafter present the request for review to the Court.

27. Each Claimant shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to the Claimant's Claim, and the Claim will be subject to investigation and discovery under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, provided, however, that such investigation and discovery shall be limited to that Claimant's status as a Settlement Class Member and the validity and amount of the Claimant's Claim. No discovery shall be allowed on the merits of this Action or of the Settlement in connection with the processing of Claims.

28. Lead Counsel will apply to the Court, on notice to Defendants' Counsel, for a Class Distribution Order: (a) approving the Claims Administrator's administrative determinations concerning the acceptance and rejection of the Claims submitted; (b) approving payment of any administration fees and expenses associated with the administration of the Settlement from the Escrow Account; and (c) if the Effective Date has occurred, directing payment of the Net Settlement Fund to Authorized Claimants from the Escrow Account.

29. Payment pursuant to the Class Distribution Order shall be final and conclusive against all Settlement Class Members. All Settlement Class Members whose Claims are not approved by the Court for payment shall be barred from participating in distributions from the Net Settlement Fund, but otherwise shall be bound by all of the terms of this Stipulation and the Settlement, including the terms of the Judgment or Alternative Judgment, if applicable, to be entered in this Action and the Releases provided for herein and therein, and will be permanently

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barred and enjoined from bringing any action against any and all Defendant Releasees with respect to any and all of the Released Plaintiff's Claims.

30. No person or entity shall have any claim against Lead Plaintiff, Plaintiff's Counsel, Liaison Counsel, the Claims Administrator or any other agent designated by Lead Counsel, or the Defendant Releasees and/or their respective counsel, arising from distributions made substantially in accordance with the Stipulation, the plan of allocation approved by the Court, or any order of the Court. Lead Plaintiff and Defendants, and their respective counsel, Lead Plaintiff's damages consultant/expert, and all other Releasees shall have no liability whatsoever for the investment or distribution of the Settlement Fund or the Net Settlement Fund, the plan of allocation, or the determination, administration, calculation, or payment of any Claim or nonperformance of the Claims Administrator, the payment or withholding of Taxes (including interest and penalties) of Tax Expenses owed by the Settlement Fund, or any losses incurred in connection therewith.

31. All proceedings with respect to the administration, processing and determination of Claims and the determination of all controversies relating thereto, including disputed questions of law and fact with respect to the validity of Claims, shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Court. All Settlement Class Members, other Claimants, and the Parties to this Settlement expressly waive trial by jury (to the extent any such right may exist) and any right of appeal or review with respect to such determinations.

**TERMS OF THE JUDGMENT**

32. If the Settlement contemplated by this Stipulation is approved by the Court, Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel shall request that the Court enter a Judgment, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B.

**CONDITIONS OF SETTLEMENT AND EFFECT OF  
DISAPPROVAL, CANCELLATION OR TERMINATION**

33. The Effective Date of the Settlement shall be deemed to occur on the occurrence or waiver of all of the following events:

(a) the Court has entered the Preliminary Approval Order, substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, as required by ¶ 2 above;

(b) the Settlement Amount has been deposited into the Escrow Account in accordance with the provisions of ¶ 8 above;

(c) Defendants have not exercised their option to terminate the Settlement pursuant to the provisions of this Stipulation (including the Supplemental Agreement described in ¶ 38 below);

(d) Lead Plaintiff has not exercised its option to terminate the Settlement pursuant to the provisions of this Stipulation (including the option described at ¶ 37 below); and

(e) the Court has approved the Settlement as described herein, following notice to the Settlement Class and a hearing, as prescribed by Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and entered the Judgment and the Judgment has become Final, or the Court has entered an Alternative Judgment and none of the Parties seek to terminate the Settlement and the Alternative Judgment has become Final.

34. Upon the occurrence of all of the events referenced in ¶ 33 above, any and all remaining interest or right of Defendants or any other Defendant Releasee in or to the Settlement Fund, if any, shall be absolutely and forever extinguished and the Releases herein shall be effective.

35. If (i) Defendants exercise their right to terminate the Settlement as provided in this Stipulation; (ii) Lead Plaintiff exercises its right to terminate the Settlement as provided in this

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Stipulation; (iii) the Court disapproves the Settlement; or (iv) the Effective Date as to the Settlement otherwise fails to occur, then:

(a) the Settlement and the relevant portions of this Stipulation shall be canceled and terminated;

(b) Lead Plaintiff and Defendants shall revert to their respective positions in the Action as of the date immediately prior to the execution of the Term Sheet on April 16, 2019;

(c) the terms and provisions of this Stipulation, with the exception of this ¶ 35 and ¶¶ 14, 16, 39 and 57, shall have no further force and effect with respect to the Parties and shall not be used in the Action or in any other proceeding for any purpose, and any Judgment, or Alternative Judgment, if applicable, or order entered by the Court in accordance with the terms of this Stipulation shall be treated as vacated, *nunc pro tunc*; and

(d) Within five (5) business days after joint written notification of termination is sent by Defendants' Counsel and Lead Counsel to the Escrow Agent, the Settlement Fund (including accrued interest thereon and any funds received by Lead Counsel consistent with ¶ 16 above), less any Notice and Administration Costs actually incurred, paid or payable and less any Taxes and Tax Expenses paid, due or owing shall be returned by the Escrow Agent to the parties who contributed to the payment of the Settlement Amount as instructed by Defendants' Counsel. In the event that the funds received by Lead Counsel consistent with ¶ 16 above have not been refunded to the Settlement Fund within the five (5) business days specified in this paragraph, those funds shall be refunded by the Escrow Agent to Defendants (or such other persons or entities as Defendants' Counsel may direct) immediately upon their deposit into the Escrow Account consistent with ¶ 16 above.

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36. It is further stipulated and agreed that Lead Plaintiff, on the one hand, and Defendants (provided Defendants unanimously agree amongst themselves), on the other hand, shall each have the right to terminate the Settlement and this Stipulation, by providing written notice of their election to do so (“Termination Notice”) to the other Parties to this Stipulation within thirty (30) days of: (a) the Court’s final refusal to enter the Preliminary Approval Order in any material respect; (b) the Court’s final refusal to approve the Settlement or any material part thereof; (c) the Court’s final refusal to enter the Judgment in any material respect as to the Settlement; (d) the date upon which the Judgment is modified or reversed in any material respect by the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit or the United States Supreme Court; or (e) the date upon which an Alternative Judgment is modified or reversed in any material respect by the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit or the United States Supreme Court, and the provisions of ¶ 35 above shall apply. However, any decision or proceeding, whether in this Court or any appellate court, with respect to an application for attorneys’ fees or reimbursement of Litigation Expenses or with respect to any plan of allocation shall not be considered material to the Settlement, shall not affect the finality of any Judgment or Alternative Judgment, if applicable, and shall not be grounds for termination of the Settlement.

37. In addition to the grounds set forth in ¶ 36 above, Lead Plaintiff shall have the unilateral right to terminate the Settlement in the event that the Settlement Amount has not been paid in the time period provided for in ¶ 8 above, by providing written notice of the election to terminate to all other Parties and if, thereafter, there is a failure to pay the Settlement Amount within fourteen (14) calendar days of such written notice.

38. In addition to the grounds set forth in ¶ 36 above, Defendants, provided they unanimously agree amongst themselves, shall have the unilateral right to terminate the Settlement

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in the event that Settlement Class Members timely and validly requesting exclusion from the Settlement Class meet the conditions set forth in Defendants' confidential Supplemental Agreement with Lead Plaintiff (the "Supplemental Agreement"), in accordance with the terms of that agreement. The Supplemental Agreement, which is being executed concurrently herewith, shall not be filed with the Court and its terms shall not be disclosed in any other manner (other than the statements herein and in the Notice, to the extent necessary, or as otherwise provided in the Supplemental Agreement) unless and until the Court otherwise directs, or a dispute arises between Lead Plaintiff and Defendants concerning its interpretation or application, in which event the Parties shall submit the Supplemental Agreement to the Court in camera and request that the Court afford it confidential treatment.

**NO ADMISSION OF WRONGDOING**

39. Neither this Stipulation (whether or not consummated), including the exhibits hereto and the Plan of Allocation contained therein (or any other plan of allocation that may be approved by the Court), the negotiations leading to the execution of this Stipulation, nor any proceedings taken pursuant to or in connection with this Stipulation and/or approval of the Settlement (including any arguments proffered in connection therewith):

(a) shall be offered against any of the Defendant Releasees as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession, or admission by any of the Defendant Releasees with respect to the truth of any fact alleged by Lead Plaintiff or the validity of any claim that was or could have been asserted or the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted in this Action or in any other litigation, or of any liability, negligence, fault, or other wrongdoing of any kind of any of the Defendant Releasees or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of the Defendant Releasees, in any civil,



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criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Stipulation;

(b) shall be offered against any of the Plaintiff Releasees, as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession or admission by any of the Plaintiff Releasees that any of their claims are without merit, that any of the Defendant Releasees had meritorious defenses, that damages recoverable under the Complaint would not have exceeded the Settlement Amount, or with respect to any liability, negligence, fault or wrongdoing of any kind, or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of the Plaintiff Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Stipulation; or

(c) shall be construed against any of the Releasees as an admission, concession, or presumption that the consideration to be given hereunder represents the amount which could be or would have been recovered after trial;

*provided, however*, that if this Stipulation is approved by the Court, the Parties and the Releasees and their respective counsel may refer to it to effectuate the protections from liability granted hereunder or otherwise to enforce the terms of the Settlement.

**MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

40. All of the exhibits attached hereto are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that there exists a conflict or inconsistency between the terms of this Stipulation and the terms of any exhibit attached hereto, the terms of the Stipulation shall prevail.



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41. Pursuant to the Class Action Fairness Act (“CAFA”), no later than ten (10) calendar days after the Stipulation is filed with the Court, Defendants, at their own cost, shall serve proper notice of the proposed Settlement upon those who are entitled to notice pursuant to CAFA.

42. Defendants do not presently intend to file for bankruptcy within ninety (90) days of the date of this Stipulation. Nonetheless, in the event of the entry of a final order of a court of competent jurisdiction determining the transfer of money to the Settlement Fund or any portion thereof by or on behalf of Defendants to be a preference, voidable transfer, fraudulent transfer or similar transaction and any portion thereof is required to be returned, and such amount is not promptly deposited into the Settlement Fund by others, then, at the election of Lead Plaintiff, the Parties shall jointly move the Court to vacate and set aside the Releases given and the Judgment or Alternative Judgment, if applicable, entered in favor of Defendants and the other Defendant Releasees pursuant to this Stipulation, in which event the Releases and Judgment, or Alternative Judgment, if applicable, shall be null and void, and the Parties shall be restored to their respective positions in the litigation as provided in ¶ 35(b) above, Plaintiff’s Counsel and Liaison Counsel shall promptly return any attorneys’ fees and Litigation Expenses received pursuant to ¶ 16, above, plus accrued interest at the same net rate as is earned by the Settlement Fund, and any cash amounts in the Settlement Fund (less any Taxes and Tax Expenses paid, due or owing with respect to the Settlement Fund and less any Notice and Administration Costs actually incurred, paid or payable) shall be returned as provided in ¶ 35 above.

43. The Parties intend this Stipulation and the Settlement to be a final and complete resolution of all disputes asserted or which could be asserted by Lead Plaintiff and any Settlement Class Members against the Defendants’ Releasees with respect to the Released Plaintiff’s Claims. Accordingly, Lead Plaintiff and its counsel and Defendants and their counsel agree not to assert in

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any forum that this Action was brought by Lead Plaintiff or defended by Defendants in bad faith or without a reasonable basis. No party shall assert any claims of any violation of Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, or of 28 U.S.C. Section 1927, or otherwise make any accusation of wrongful or actionable conduct by any other Party, relating to the institution, prosecution, defense, or settlement of this Action. The Parties agree that the amounts paid and the other terms of the Settlement were negotiated at arm's-length and in good faith by the Parties through a mediation process supervised and conducted by the Hon. Layn R. Phillips (Ret.) of Phillips ADR, and reflect the Settlement that was reached voluntarily after extensive negotiations and consultation with experienced legal counsel, who were fully competent to assess the strengths and weaknesses of their respective clients' claims or defenses.

44. The terms of the Settlement, as reflected in this Stipulation, may not be modified or amended, nor may any of its provisions be waived except by a writing signed on behalf of both Lead Plaintiff and Defendants (or their successors-in-interest).

45. The headings herein are used for the purpose of convenience only and are not meant to have legal effect.

46. Pending approval of the Court of this Stipulation and its exhibits, all proceedings in this Action shall be stayed and all members of the Settlement Class shall be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any of the Released Plaintiff's Claims against any of the Defendant Releasees.

47. The administration and consummation of the Settlement as embodied in this Stipulation shall be under the authority of the Court, and the Court shall retain jurisdiction for the purpose of entering orders providing for awards of attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses to Lead Counsel and enforcing the terms of this Stipulation, including the Plan of Allocation (or such other

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plan of allocation as may be approved by the Court) and the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund to Settlement Class Members.

48. The waiver by one Party of any breach of this Stipulation by any other Party shall not be deemed a waiver of any other prior or subsequent breach of this Stipulation.

49. This Stipulation and its exhibits, together with the Supplemental Agreement, constitute the entire agreement among Lead Plaintiff and Defendants concerning the Settlement. All Parties acknowledge that no other agreements, representations, warranties, or inducements have been made by any party hereto concerning this Stipulation, its exhibits, or the Supplemental Agreement other than those contained and memorialized in such documents.

50. This Stipulation may be executed in one or more counterparts, including by signature transmitted via facsimile, or by a .pdf/.tif image of the signature transmitted via email. All executed counterparts and each of them shall be deemed to be one and the same instrument.

51. This Stipulation shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Parties, including any and all Releasees and any corporation, partnership, or other entity into or with which any party hereto may merge, consolidate or reorganize.

52. The construction, interpretation, operation, effect and validity of this Stipulation, the Supplemental Agreement and all documents necessary to effectuate the Settlement shall be governed by the internal laws of the State of North Carolina without regard to conflicts of laws, except to the extent that federal law requires that federal law govern.

53. Any action arising under or to enforce this Stipulation or any portion thereof, shall be commenced and maintained only in the Court.

54. This Stipulation shall not be construed more strictly against one Party than another merely by virtue of the fact that it, or any part of it, may have been prepared by counsel for one of

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the Parties, it being recognized that it is the result of arm's-length negotiations between the Parties and all Parties have contributed substantially and materially to the preparation of this Stipulation.

55. All counsel and any other person executing this Stipulation and any of the exhibits hereto, or any related Settlement documents, warrant and represent that they have the full authority to do so and that they have the authority to take appropriate action required or permitted to be taken pursuant to the Stipulation to effectuate its terms.

56. Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel agree to cooperate fully with one another in seeking Court approval of the Preliminary Approval Order and the Settlement, as embodied in this Stipulation, and to use best efforts to promptly agree upon and execute all such other documentation as may be reasonably required to obtain final approval by the Court of the Settlement.

57. If any Party is required to give notice to another party under this Stipulation, such notice shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given upon receipt of hand delivery or email transmission, with confirmation of receipt. Notice shall be provided as follows:

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58. Except as otherwise provided herein, each party shall bear its own costs.

59. All agreements made and orders entered during the course of this Action relating to the confidentiality of information shall survive this Settlement.

60. No opinion or advice concerning the tax consequences of the proposed Settlement to individual Settlement Class Members is being given or will be given by the Parties or their counsel; nor is any representation or warranty in this regard made by virtue of this Stipulation. Each Settlement Class Member's tax obligations, and the determination thereof, are the sole responsibility of the Settlement Class Member, and it is understood that the tax consequences may vary depending on the particular circumstances of each individual Settlement Class Member.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Parties hereto have caused this Stipulation to be executed, by their duly authorized attorneys, as of June 21, 2019.

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# STIPULATION EXHIBIT A

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

ERIC OLLILA, Individually and on Behalf of All  
Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

BABCOCK & WILCOX ENTERPRISES, INC.,  
E. JAMES FERLAND and JENNY L. APKER,

Defendants.

**CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:17-CV-109-  
MOC-DCK**

CLASS ACTION

**[PROPOSED] ORDER PRELIMINARILY APPROVING SETTLEMENT AND  
PROVIDING FOR NOTICE**

WHEREAS, this consolidated putative class action (the “Action”) comes before the Court on Lead Plaintiff’s Motion for Preliminary Approval of Settlement (“Motion”) and on the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement dated June 21, 2019 (“Stipulation”) entered into by Lead Plaintiff Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (“Lead Plaintiff”) and Babcock & Wilcox Enterprises, Inc. (“B&W”), E. James Ferland, and Jenny L. Apker (collectively, the “Defendants”) (all together, the “Parties”), by and through their respective counsel;

WHEREAS, the Stipulation sets forth the terms and conditions for the proposed settlement of the Action, and is subject to review under Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (“Rule 23”); and

WHEREAS, the Court is familiar with and has reviewed the record in the Action and has reviewed the Motion and the Stipulation, together with the exhibits attached thereto and incorporated by reference therein, and found good cause for entering the following Order;



**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

1. This order (the “Preliminary Approval Order”) hereby incorporates by reference the definitions in the Stipulation and all terms used herein shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Stipulation.

2. The Court preliminarily certifies, solely for purposes of effectuating the Settlement, pursuant to Rule 23, a class consisting of all persons and entities who purchased B&W publicly-traded common stock on the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”), on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or who purchased B&W stock on the NYSE on a “when issued” basis during the period from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive (the “Settlement Class”). Excluded from the Settlement Class are: (i) Defendants; (ii) members of the Immediate Family of any Defendant who is an individual; (iii) any person who was an officer or director of B&W during the Class Period; (iv) any firm, trust, corporation, or other entity in which any Defendant has or had a controlling interest; (v) B&W’s employee retirement and benefit plan(s) and their participants or beneficiaries, to the extent they made purchases through such plan(s); and (vi) the legal representatives, affiliates, heirs, successors-in-interest, or assigns of any such excluded person. Also excluded from the Settlement Class are those persons who timely and validly request exclusion from the Settlement Class pursuant to the Notice of (I) Pendency of Class Action and Proposed Settlement; (II) Motion for an Award of Attorneys’ Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses; and (III) Settlement Fairness Hearing (the “Notice”).

3. Pursuant to Rule 23 and for purposes of settlement only, the Court preliminarily certifies Lead Plaintiff Arkansas Teacher Retirement System as Class Representative for the Settlement Class and appoints Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP as Class Counsel for the Settlement Class (“Class Counsel”). Class Counsel is authorized to act on behalf of the

Settlement Class with respect to all acts required by, or which may be undertaken pursuant to, the Stipulation or such other acts that are reasonably necessary to consummate the proposed Settlement set forth in the Stipulation.

4. With respect to the Settlement Class, the Court preliminarily finds, solely for purposes of effectuating the Settlement, that the prerequisites for a class action under Rules 23(a) and (b)(3) have been satisfied. The members of the Settlement Class are so numerous that joinder of all Settlement Class Members in the class action is impracticable and there are questions of law and fact common to the Settlement Class which predominate over any individual questions. The claims of Lead Plaintiff are typical of the claims of the Settlement Class and Lead Plaintiff and its counsel have fairly and adequately represented and protected the interests of all of the Settlement Class Members. A class action is also superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of the controversy, considering: (a) the interests of the members of the Settlement Class in individually controlling the prosecution of the separate actions; (b) the extent and nature of any litigation concerning the controversy already commenced by members of the Settlement Class; (c) the desirability or undesirability of continuing the litigation of these claims in this particular forum; and (d) the difficulties likely to be encountered in the management of a class action.

5. The Court preliminarily approves: (i) the Settlement of the Action as set forth in the Stipulation, having found that the Parties have shown the Court that it will likely be able to approve the proposed Settlement under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(e)(2), and (ii) the proposed Plan of Allocation described in the Notice, subject to the right of any Settlement Class Member to challenge the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the Settlement, the Stipulation or the proposed Plan of Allocation, and to show cause, if any exists, why a final

judgment dismissing the Action based on the Stipulation should not be ordered herein after due and adequate notice to the Settlement Class has been given in conformity with this Order.

6. Class Counsel is hereby authorized to retain JND Legal Administration LLC as the Claims Administrator in connection with the Settlement to supervise and administer the notice and claims procedures as well as the processing of claims as more fully set forth below:

a. No later than twenty (20) calendar days after entry of this Preliminary Approval Order, the Claims Administrator shall cause a copy of the Notice and Proof of Claim and Release form (“Claim Form”), substantially in the forms attached hereto as Exhibits A(1) and A(2), respectively, to be mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, to all members of the Settlement Class who may be identified through reasonable effort, including through the cooperation of B&W and/or its transfer agents to provide security holder lists as set forth in the Stipulation (the “Notice Date”);

b. Class Counsel shall cause a summary notice (the “Summary Notice”), substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A(3), to be published once in the national edition of *Investor’s Business Daily* and over the *PR Newswire* no later than ten (10) calendar days after the Notice Date;

c. Class Counsel shall serve on Defendants’ Counsel and file with the Court proof by affidavit or declaration of mailing and publication not later than seven (7) calendar days before the Final Approval Hearing.

d. Class Counsel shall cause the Notice, the Summary Notice, and the Claim Form to be placed on a website developed for the Settlement and maintained by the Claims Administrator, on or before the Notice Date.

7. Not later than ten (10) calendar days after the submission of the Stipulation to the Court, Defendants shall serve notice on the State and Federal officials as required by 28 U.S.C. §1715(b) (“CAFA Notice”). Not later than thirty-five (35) calendar days before the Settlement Fairness Hearing, Defendants shall file with the Court an affidavit or declaration showing timely compliance with this CAFA Notice directive.

8. The Court hereby approves the form of Notice and Summary Notice (together, the “Notices”) and the Claim Form, and finds that the procedures established for publication, mailing and distribution of such Notices substantially in the manner and form set forth in paragraph 6 of this Preliminary Approval Order meet the requirements of Rule 23, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 15 U.S.C. §§ 78 *et seq.*, as amended by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, the Constitution of the United States, and constitute the best notice practicable under the circumstances.

9. The Claims Administrator shall use reasonable efforts to give notice to brokers and other nominees who purchased the publicly-traded common stock of B&W on the NYSE, on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or who purchased B&W stock on the NYSE on a “when issued” basis for the benefit of another person during the Class Period. Those brokers and other nominees are directed to either: (i) send the Notice and Claim Form to all such beneficial owners, postmarked within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the Notice; or (ii) send a list of the names and addresses of such beneficial owners to the Claims Administrator within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of the Notice, in which event the Claims Administrator shall mail the Notice and Claim Form to such beneficial owners within ten (10) calendar days after receipt thereof.

10. Upon full compliance with this Preliminary Approval Order, including the timely mailing of the Notice and Claim Form to beneficial owners, such nominees may seek reimbursement of their reasonable expenses actually incurred in complying with this Preliminary Approval Order by providing the Claims Administrator with proper documentation supporting the expenses for which reimbursement is sought and reflecting compliance with these instructions, including timely mailing of the Notice and Claim Form. Such properly documented expenses incurred by nominees in compliance with the terms of this Preliminary Approval Order shall be paid from the Settlement Fund in accordance with the provisions of the Stipulation, subject to further order of this Court with respect to any dispute concerning such compensation.

10. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e), a hearing (the “Settlement Fairness Hearing”) shall be held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, at \_\_\_\_\_.m., in the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina, the Honorable Max O. Cogburn Jr. presiding, for the following purposes:

- a. to determine whether the Court should grant final certification of the Settlement Class pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(a) and (b)(3);
- b. to determine whether the proposed Settlement of the Action on the terms and conditions provided for in the Stipulation is fair, reasonable, adequate, and in the best interests of the Settlement Class and should be finally approved by the Court;
- c. to determine whether the Plan of Allocation for the Net Settlement Fund should be approved by the Court as fair and reasonable;
- d. to determine whether the Judgment, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit B to the Stipulation, should be entered, *inter alia*, dismissing the Action against

the Defendants with prejudice and extinguishing and releasing all Released Claims (as defined in the Stipulation);

e. to consider Lead Counsel's application for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses;

f. to consider Lead Plaintiff's application for reimbursement of costs and expenses (including lost wages) in connection with its representation of the Settlement Class; and

g. to rule on such other matters as the Court may deem appropriate.

11. The Court reserves the right to adjourn the Settlement Fairness Hearing, including the consideration of the application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, or to make such modification as may be consented to by the Parties to the Stipulation, without further notice to the Settlement Class.

12. Any member of the Settlement Class who wishes to object to the Settlement must, at least twenty-one (21) calendar days prior to the Settlement Fairness Hearing, file with the Court and serve on the Parties (listed below) a written statement of objection to the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, or the request for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses in connection with the representation of the Settlement Class.

13. Any member of the Settlement Class who timely objects to the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, or the request for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, or who otherwise wishes to be heard, may appear in person or by and through an attorney, at his/her/its own expense, at the Settlement Fairness Hearing and present evidence or argument that may be proper or relevant. Such Settlement Class Member may do so provided that no person other than the Parties and their counsel shall be heard, and no papers, briefs, pleadings, or

other documents submitted by any person shall be considered by the Court, unless within twenty-one (21) calendar days prior to the Settlement Fairness Hearing, such person files with the Court and serves upon counsel listed below:

(1) the name, address, and telephone number of the person objecting, signed by the objector;

(2) a statement of such person's objections to any matters before the Court concerning the Settlement and whether the objection applies only to the objector, to a specific subset of the Settlement Class, or to the entire Settlement Class;

(3) the grounds therefore or the reasons that such person desires to appear and be heard, as well as all documents or writings such person desires the Court to consider;

(4) whether that person intends to present any witnesses and/or experts, the identity of any such witnesses and/or experts, and the nature of the witness and/or expert testimony; and

(5) proof of the person's membership in the Settlement Class, which proof shall include the person's purchases of B&W common stock during the Class Period and any sales thereof, including the dates, the number of shares, and price(s) paid and received for each such purchase or sale. Such filings shall be served upon the Court and the following counsel:

LEAD COUNSEL	DEFENDANTS' COUNSEL
Frederic S. Fox <b>KAPLAN FOX &amp; KILSHEIMER LLP</b> 850 Third Avenue; 14 <sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10022 (212) 687-1980	John Latham <b>ALSTON &amp; BIRD LLP</b> One Atlantic Center 1201 West Peachtree Street Suite 4900 Atlanta, GA 30309-3424 (404) 881-7000



Any person who does not make his, her, or its objection in the manner provided in the Notice shall be deemed to have waived such objection and shall forever be foreclosed from making any objection to the fairness or adequacy of the proposed Settlement as set forth in the Stipulation, unless otherwise ordered by the Court. Any papers in response to any such objections shall be served and filed no later than seven (7) days prior to the Settlement Fairness Hearing.

14. Any person falling within the definition of the Settlement Class may, upon request, be excluded from the Settlement Class. Any such person must submit to the Claims Administrator a request for exclusion (“Request for Exclusion”) at least twenty-one (21) calendar days prior to the date of the Settlement Fairness Hearing. To be valid, a Request for Exclusion must state: (1) the name, address, and telephone number of the person requesting exclusion; (2) the person’s purchases of B&W common stock during the Class Period and any sales thereof, including the dates, the number of shares, and price(s) paid and received for each such purchase or sale; (3) a clear and unambiguous statement that the person wishes to be excluded from the Settlement Class; and (4) must include the person’s signature. No further opportunity to request exclusion will be given in this Action. Requests for Exclusion may not be submitted by e-mail, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

15. All Settlement Class Members shall be bound by all determinations and judgments in this Action concerning the settlement, including but not limited to the releases provided for in the Stipulation, whether favorable or unfavorable, except those who are found by the Court to have timely and validly requested exclusion from the Settlement Class. The persons and entities who request exclusion from the Settlement Class will be excluded from the

Settlement Class and shall have no rights under the Stipulation, shall not be entitled to submit any Claim Forms, shall not share in the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund as described in the Stipulation and in the Notice, and shall not be bound by the Stipulation or the Judgment entered as to Defendants in the Action.

16. Any Settlement Class Member who wishes to be eligible to participate in the Net Settlement Fund must timely submit a valid Claim Form to the Claims Administrator, at the Post Office Box indicated in the Notice, postmarked no later than one hundred and twenty (120) calendar days following the Notice Date. Such deadline may be extended further by Court order. A Claim Form shall be deemed to have been submitted when postmarked, if mailed by first class, or registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed in accordance with the instructions given in the Claim Form. All other Claim Forms shall be deemed to have been submitted at the time they are actually received by the Claims Administrator. To be valid, a Claim Form must: (1) be completed in a manner that permits the Claims Administrator to determine the eligibility of the claim as set forth in the Claim Form; (2) include the release by the claimant of all Released Parties as set forth in the Stipulation; and (3) be signed with an affirmation that the information is true and correct. As part of the Claim Form, each Settlement Class Member shall submit to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to the claim submitted and shall, (subject to the effectuation of the Settlement reflected in the Stipulation), agree and enter into the release as provided in the Stipulation. All Settlement Class Members who do not submit a valid and timely Claim Form shall be barred forever from receiving any payments from the Net Settlement Fund, but will, in all other respects, be subject to and bound by the provisions of the Stipulation and the Judgment, if entered, whether favorable or unfavorable and whether or not they submit a Claim Form,

unless such persons request exclusion from the Settlement Class in a timely and proper manner, as provided herein.

17. If this Settlement, including any amendment made in accordance with the Stipulation, is not approved by the Court or shall not become effective for any reason whatsoever, the Settlement (including any modification thereof) made with the consent of the Parties as provided for in the Stipulation, and any actions taken or to be taken in connection therewith (including this Order and any judgment entered herein), shall be terminated and shall become void and of no further force and effect except as set forth in the Stipulation.

18. All proceedings in the Action, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to carry out the terms and conditions of the Settlement, are hereby stayed and suspended until further order of this Court. Pending final determination whether the Settlement should be approved, Lead Plaintiff and all members of the Settlement Class are barred and enjoined from commencing, prosecuting, continuing, or asserting any action with regards to any of the Released Plaintiff's Claims against the Defendant Releasees as defined in the Stipulation.

19. The contents of the Settlement Fund held by the Escrow Agent shall be deemed and considered to be in *custodia legis* of the Court and shall remain subject to the jurisdiction of the Court until such time as the contents of those funds shall be distributed pursuant to the Stipulation and/or further order(s) of the Court.

20. Class Counsel, or an agent thereof, is authorized and directed to prepare any tax returns and any other tax reporting for or in respect of the Settlement Fund and to pay from the Settlement Fund any taxes owed with respect to the Settlement Fund, and to otherwise perform all obligations with respect to taxes and any reporting or filings in respect thereof as contemplated by the Stipulation, without further order of the Court. The Court authorizes

payment out of the Settlement Fund of notice and administration expenses in accordance with the Stipulation.

21. This Preliminary Approval Order, the Settlement, the Stipulation, and all negotiations, statements, and proceedings in connection therewith, shall not, in any event, be construed or deemed to be evidence of an admission or concession on the part of Lead Plaintiff, any Defendant, any member of the Settlement Class, or any other person, of any liability or wrongdoing of any nature by them, or any of them, and shall not be offered or received in evidence in any action or proceeding (except an action to enforce the Stipulation and Settlement contemplated thereby), or be used in any way as an admission, concession, or evidence of any liability or wrongdoing of any nature, and shall not be construed as, or deemed to be evidence of, an admission or concession that Lead Plaintiff, any member of the Settlement Class, or any other person, has or has not suffered any damage.

22. All motions and papers in support of the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, and the request for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, shall be filed and served no later than thirty-five (35) calendar days before the date scheduled for the Settlement Fairness Hearing, and all reply briefs in support of said motions shall be filed and served no later than seven (7) calendar days prior to the Settlement Fairness Hearing.

23. The Court retains jurisdiction over this Action to consider all further matters arising out of or connected with the Settlement reflected in the Stipulation, including enforcement of the releases provided for in the Stipulation.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

DATED:

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THE HONORABLE MAX O. COGBURN JR.  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

STIPULATION  
EXHIBIT A(1)

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

ERIC OLLILA, Individually and on Behalf of All  
Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

BABCOCK & WILCOX ENTERPRISES, INC.,  
E. JAMES FERLAND and JENNY L. APKER,

Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO.: 3:17-CV-00109

**NOTICE OF (I) PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION AND PROPOSED SETTLEMENT;  
(II) MOTION FOR AN AWARD OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND  
REIMBURSEMENT OF LITIGATION EXPENSES; AND  
(III) SETTLEMENT FAIRNESS HEARING**

***A FEDERAL COURT HAS AUTHORIZED THIS NOTICE. THIS IS NOT A  
SOLICITATION FROM A LAWYER.***

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION AND SETTLEMENT:** Please be advised that your rights may be affected by the above-captioned action ("Action") pending in the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina ("Court") if you are a member of the Settlement Class defined below.<sup>1</sup> Please also be advised that the Court-appointed Lead Plaintiff Arkansas Teacher Retirement System ("Lead Plaintiff"), on behalf of itself and the Settlement Class (as defined below), have reached a proposed Settlement of the Action for a total of Nineteen Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$19,500,000.00) in cash that, if approved, will resolve all claims in the Action.

**PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY.** It explains important rights you may have, including the possible receipt of cash from the Settlement. If you are a Settlement Class Member, your legal rights will be affected whether or not you act.

**If you have any questions about this Notice, the proposed Settlement, or your eligibility to participate in the Settlement, please do not contact Defendants, their counsel, or the Court.**

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<sup>1</sup> All capitalized terms used in this Notice that are not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings provided in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement dated June 21, 2019 (the "Stipulation"), which is available on the website for the Settlement at [www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com](http://www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com).



**All questions should be directed to Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator.**

1. **Description of the Action and Settlement Class:** This Notice relates to a proposed Settlement of claims in a pending securities class action lawsuit brought by investors alleging, among other things, that Defendants B&W, E. James Ferland, and Jenny L. Apker (collectively, the “Defendants”), violated the federal securities laws by allegedly making false and misleading statements regarding the value and growth prospects of B&W’s Renewable segment and their knowledge of significant design and construction problems at many of the Renewable projects caused by inadequate resources, substandard work, and deficient internal controls that plagued the segment throughout the Class Period (June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive). The proposed Settlement, if approved by the Court, will settle all claims of the Settlement Class in the Action. The “Settlement Class,” as preliminarily certified by the Court for purposes of settlement only, means all persons and entities who purchased B&W publicly-traded common stock on the NYSE, on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or who purchased B&W stock on the NYSE on a “when issued” basis during the period from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive. Excluded from the Settlement Class are: (i) Defendants; (ii) members of the Immediate Family of any Defendant who is an individual; (iii) any person who was an officer or director of B&W during the Class Period; (iv) any firm, trust, corporation, or other entity in which any Defendant has or had a controlling interest; (v) B&W’s employee retirement and benefit plan(s) and their participants or beneficiaries, to the extent they made purchases through such plan(s); and (vi) the legal representatives, affiliates, heirs, successors-in-interest, or assigns of any such excluded person. Also excluded from the Settlement Class are those persons and entities who timely and validly request exclusion from the Settlement Class pursuant to this Notice.
2. **Statement of the Settlement Class’s Recovery:** Subject to Court approval, and as described more fully below, Lead Plaintiff, on behalf of itself and the Settlement Class, has agreed to settle the Action in exchange for a settlement payment of Nineteen-Million-Five-Hundred-Thousand Dollars (\$19,500,000.00) in cash (the “Settlement Amount”) to be deposited into an interest-bearing Escrow Account. The Net Settlement Fund (*i.e.*, the Settlement Amount plus any and all interest earned thereon while in escrow (the “Settlement Fund”) less (i) any Taxes and Tax Expenses, (ii) any Notice and Administration Costs, (iii) any Litigation Expenses awarded by the Court; and (iv) any attorneys’ fees awarded by the Court), will be distributed in accordance with a plan of allocation that is approved by the Court, which will determine how the Net Settlement Fund shall be allocated among members of the Settlement Class. The proposed plan of allocation (the “Plan of Allocation”) is set forth on pages 12-18, below.
3. **Estimate of Average Amount of Recovery Per Share:** Lead Plaintiff’s damages expert estimates that 52,854,406 shares of B&W common stock were purchased during the Class Period and held through a corrective disclosure, and therefore were damaged. Lead Plaintiff’s damages expert estimates that, if valid Claims for all damaged shares are submitted, the average recovery per damaged share of B&W common stock will be approximately \$0.37 per share, before deduction of attorneys’ fees, costs and expenses awarded by the Court, and the costs of providing notice and administering the Settlement. **Settlement Class Members should note, however, that the foregoing average recovery**

**per eligible share is only an estimate.** A Settlement Class Member's actual recovery will depend on several things, including: (1) the total number of Claims filed; (2) when and at what price they purchased their B&W common stock during the Class Period; (3) whether and when they sold their B&W common stock; (4) the amount of Notice and Administration Costs; and (5) the amount of attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses awarded by the Court. Distributions to Settlement Class Members will be made based on the Plan of Allocation set forth below (see pages 12-18 below) or such other plan of allocation as may be ordered by the Court.

4. **Statement of Average Amount of Damages Per Share:** The Parties do not agree on the average amount of damages per share that would be recoverable if Lead Plaintiff was to prevail in the Action. Among other things, Defendants deny that any of their filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") contained materially false or misleading statements or omitted material information. In sum, Defendants do not agree with the assertion that they engaged in any actionable misconduct under the federal securities laws or that any damages were suffered by any members of the Settlement Class as a result of their conduct.
5. **Statement of Attorneys' Fees and Expenses Sought:** Court-appointed Lead Counsel, Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP, additional counsel Kessler Topaz Meltzer & Check, LLP and Labaton Sucharow LLP (together with Lead Counsel, "Plaintiffs' Counsel"), and Blue LLP ("Liaison Counsel"), have been prosecuting the Action on a wholly contingent basis since its inception in 2017, have not received any payment of attorneys' fees for their representation of Lead Plaintiff or the Settlement Class, and have advanced hundreds of thousands of dollars in expenses necessarily incurred in order to prosecute the Action. As set forth in greater detail below (*see* paragraphs 15-25 below), Plaintiffs' Counsel and Liaison Counsel were responsible for: (i) conducting an extensive investigation into the Settlement Class's claims; (ii) drafting two detailed amended complaints; (iii) successfully opposing Defendants' motion to dismiss; (iv) engaging in an extensive discovery program, including the review of tens of thousands of documents in English and Danish; (v) engaging experts in evaluating claims and damages; (vi) briefing an independent and experienced mediator on relevant claims and applicable law; and (vii) engaging in two mediation sessions before reaching an agreement in principle to settle. Lead Counsel, on behalf of Plaintiffs' Counsel and Liaison Counsel, will ask the Court to award attorneys' fees in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the Settlement Fund. Lead Counsel also will apply for the reimbursement of Litigation Expenses paid or incurred by Plaintiffs' Counsel and Liaison Counsel in connection with the prosecution and resolution of the Action, in an amount not to exceed \$400,000, which may include the reasonable costs and expenses of Lead Plaintiff directly related to its representation of the Settlement Class. If the Court approves Lead Counsel's fee and expense application, the average cost per affected share of B&W common stock will be approximately \$0.10. **Please note that this amount is only an estimate.**
6. **Identification of Attorneys' Representatives:** Lead Plaintiff and the Settlement Class are being represented by: Frederic S. Fox, Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP, 850 Third Avenue, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10022, (800) 290-1952, mail@kaplanfox.com; Andrew L. Zivitz, Kessler Topaz Meltzer & Check, LLP, 280 King of Prussia Road,

Radnor, PA 19087, (610) 667-7706, info@ktmc.com; Jonathan Gardner, Labaton Sucharow, LLP, 140 Broadway, New York, NY 10005, (888) 219-6877, settlementquestions@labaton.com and; Dhamian Blue, Blue LLP, 205 Fayetteville Street, Raleigh, NC 27601, (919) 833-1931, dab@bluellp.com.

7. **Reasons for the Settlement:** Lead Plaintiff's principal reason for entering into the Settlement is the substantial cash benefit for the Settlement Class, without the risk or the delays inherent in further litigation. Moreover, the substantial cash benefit provided under the Settlement must be considered against the significant risk that a smaller recovery—or, indeed, no recovery at all—might be achieved after a trial of the Action and the likely appeals that would follow a trial, a process that could last many months, or even years, into the future. Defendants, who deny all allegations of wrongdoing or liability whatsoever, are entering into the Settlement solely to eliminate the uncertainty, burden and expense of further protracted litigation.

<b>YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND OPTIONS IN THE SETTLEMENT:</b>	
<b>SUBMIT A CLAIM FORM ONLINE OR POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN _____, 2019.</b>	This is the only way to be eligible to receive a payment from the Settlement. If you are a Settlement Class Member, you will be bound by the Settlement as approved by the Court and you will give up any Released Plaintiff's Claims (as defined in paragraph 60 below) that you have against Defendants and the other Defendants' Releasees (as defined in paragraph 59 below), so it is in your interest to submit a Claim Form.
<b>EXCLUDE YOURSELF FROM THE SETTLEMENT CLASS BY SUBMITTING A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR EXCLUSION SO THAT IT IS <i>RECEIVED</i> NO LATER THAN _____, 2019</b>	If you exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you will not be eligible to receive any payment from the Settlement Fund. This is the only option that allows you to ever be part of any other lawsuit against the Defendants concerning the claims that were, or could have been, asserted in this Action. It is also the only way for Settlement Class Members to remove themselves from the Settlement Class. If you are considering excluding yourself from the Settlement Class, please note that there is a risk that any new claims asserted against the Defendants may no longer be timely and would be time-barred. <i>See</i> paragraph 66 below.
<b>OBJECT TO THE SETTLEMENT BY SUBMITTING A WRITTEN OBJECTION SO THAT IT IS <i>RECEIVED</i> NO LATER THAN _____, 2019.</b>	If you do not like the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, and/or the request for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, you may write to the Court and explain why you do not like them. You cannot object to the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, and/or the fee and expense request unless you are a Settlement Class Member and do not exclude yourself from the Settlement Class.

<b>YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND OPTIONS IN THE SETTLEMENT:</b>	
<b>FILE A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPEAR SO THAT IT IS RECEIVED NO LATER THAN _____, 2019, AND GO TO THE HEARING ON _____, 2019 AT THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA, 401 WEST TRADE STREET, ROOM 210, CHARLOTTE, NC 28202.</b>	Filing a written objection and notice of intention to appear by _____, 2019 allows you to speak in Court, at the discretion of the Court, about the fairness of the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, and/or the request for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. If you submit a written objection, you may (but do not have to) attend the hearing and, at the discretion of the Court, speak to the Court about your objection.
<b>DO NOTHING.</b>	If you are a member of the Settlement Class and you do not submit a Claim Form by _____, 2019, you will not be eligible to receive any payment from the Settlement Fund. You will, however, remain a member of the Settlement Class, which means that you give up your right to sue about the claims that are resolved by the Settlement and you will be bound by any judgments or orders entered by the Court in the Action.

These rights and options – and the deadlines to exercise them – are further explained in this Notice. Please Note: The date and time of the Settlement Fairness Hearing – currently scheduled for \_\_\_\_\_, 2019 at \_:00 .m. – is subject to change without further notice to the Settlement Class. If you plan to attend the hearing, you should check the website [www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com](http://www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com) or contact Lead Counsel as set forth above to confirm that no change to the date and/or time of the hearing has been made.

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### WHY DID I GET THIS NOTICE?

8. This Notice was sent to you pursuant to an Order of the Court because B&W common stock may have been purchased during the Class Period (*i.e.*, June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive) by you, someone in your family, or an investment account for which you serve as custodian. The Court has directed us to send you this Notice because, as a potential Settlement Class Member, you have a right to know about your options before the Court rules on the proposed Settlement of this Action. Additionally, you have the right to understand how a class action lawsuit may generally affect your legal rights. If the Court approves the Settlement, JND Legal Administration, the Claims Administrator retained by Lead Counsel and approved by the Court, will distribute payments pursuant to the Plan of Allocation after any objections and appeals are resolved.
9. In a class action lawsuit, under federal law, the Court appoints one or more investors to oversee litigation brought on behalf of all investors with similar claims, commonly known as the class or the class members. In this Action, the Court appointed Arkansas Teacher Retirement System to serve as "Lead Plaintiff" and appointed the law firm of Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP as Lead Counsel. Pursuant to the Court's Order issued on \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, Lead Plaintiff was preliminarily certified as "Class Representative" and Lead Counsel was preliminarily appointed as "Class Counsel" for settlement purposes. The Settlement, if approved by the Court, will resolve all issues on behalf of the Settlement Class Members, except for any Persons who timely submit a request for exclusion in accordance with this Notice.
10. The Court in charge of this case is the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina, and the case is known as *Ollila v. Babcock & Wilcox Enterprises, Inc.*, Case No. 3:17-CV-00109-MOC-DCK (W.D.N.C.). The Judge presiding over this case is the Honorable Max O. Cogburn, United States District Judge. The people who are suing are called plaintiffs and those who are being sued are called defendants. In this case, the Lead Plaintiff is suing Defendants on behalf of itself and the Settlement Class. If the Settlement is approved, it will resolve all claims which are, or could have been, included in the Action, and will bring the Action to an end.
11. This Notice explains the lawsuit, the Settlement, your legal rights, the benefits that are available, who is eligible for them, and how to get them. The purpose of this Notice is to inform you that a Settlement has been reached in the Action and how you might be affected. It also is being sent to inform you of the terms of the proposed Settlement, and of a hearing to be held by the Court to consider the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, and the motion by Lead Counsel for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses (the

“Settlement Fairness Hearing”).

12. The Settlement Fairness Hearing will be held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2019 at \_\_\_\_\_[time], before the Honorable Max O. Cogburn, at the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina, 401 West Trade Street, Room 210, Charlotte, NC 28202, to determine:
  - a) whether the Settlement Class should be certified for purposes of settlement only;
  - b) whether the proposed Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate and should be approved by the Court;
  - c) whether the Action should be dismissed with prejudice against the Defendants as set forth in the Stipulation;
  - d) whether the proposed Plan of Allocation is fair and reasonable and should be approved by the Court;
  - e) whether Lead Counsel’s request for an award of attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses should be approved by the Court; and
  - f) any other relief the Court deems necessary to effectuate the terms of the Settlement.
13. This Notice does not express any opinion by the Court concerning the merits of any claim in the Action, and the Court still has to decide whether to approve the Settlement. If the Court approves the Settlement, payments to Authorized Claimants will be made after any appeals are resolved, and after the completion of all claims processing. The claims process could take substantial time to complete fully and fairly; we appreciate your patience.

### **WHAT IS THIS CASE ABOUT?**

#### **A. Summary of Procedural History and Background on Lead Plaintiff’s Claims**

14. This case involves allegations that Defendants violated Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”), and Rule 10b-5(b) promulgated thereunder.
15. On March 3, 2017, the initial complaint was filed in the Action. In accordance with the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4, as amended (“PSLRA”), notice to the public was issued stating the deadline by which putative class members could move the Court for appointment as lead plaintiff.
16. By Order dated May 24, 2017, the Court appointed Arkansas Teacher Retirement System as Lead Plaintiff, Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP as Lead Counsel, and Blue LLP as Liaison Counsel.
17. On July 10, 2017, Lead Plaintiff filed the Consolidated Amended Complaint for Violations of Federal Securities Laws, asserting claims under §§ 10(b) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act, and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder, against Defendants. It alleged that between June 17, 2015 and August 9, 2017, inclusive, Defendants misrepresented or failed to disclose that: (i) B&W lacked sufficient professional resources to perform on time and within budget most of the Renewable contracts in its backlog; (ii) there were significant,

undisclosed, and ongoing design problems at several Renewable projects as early as the start of the Class Period; and (iii) efforts to remediate the problems with one project exacerbated the problems with certain other projects. It further alleged that Defendants' allegedly false and misleading statements caused B&W's common stock to trade at artificially inflated prices during the relevant period, and that as the truth about the alleged misstatements was revealed, B&W's stock price dropped significantly.

18. On August 9, 2017, B&W revealed further information related to Lead Plaintiff's claims and the extent of the troubled status of B&W's Renewable projects. Specifically, B&W announced disappointing second quarter 2017 earnings due to an additional \$115 million in charges on six total Renewable projects, all of which were operating at a loss. B&W also announced that it would cease bidding on major Renewable projects. Finally, B&W disclosed that it had discovered a material weakness in internal controls over financial reporting related to Renewables which resulted in an understatement of its consolidated net loss in the first quarter of 2017.
19. On August 29, 2017, pursuant to Lead Plaintiff's request, the Court granted Lead Plaintiff permission to file a second amended consolidated class action complaint in the Action.
20. On September 28, 2017, Lead Plaintiff, along with additional named plaintiffs St. Paul Electrical Construction Pension Plan, St. Paul Electrical Construction Works Supplemental Pension Plan, and St. Paul Electrical Workers Retirement Medical Funding Plan, filed the operative complaint in the Action—the Second Amended Consolidated Complaint for Violations of Federal Securities Laws (“Complaint”).<sup>2</sup> As with the previous complaint, the Complaint asserted claims under §§ 10(b) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act, and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder, against Defendants. The Complaint additionally alleged that Defendants misrepresented or failed to disclose that: (i) B&W would have to cease bidding on major Renewable projects due to B&W's inability to perform on such contracts, and (ii) there was an undisclosed material weakness in internal controls over financial reporting related to Renewables which resulted in an understatement of its consolidated net loss in the first quarter of 2017. The alleged materially false and misleading statements caused B&W's common stock to trade at artificially inflated prices during the Class Period, and as the truth about the alleged misstatements was revealed, B&W's stock price dropped significantly.
21. Defendants moved to dismiss the Complaint on November 13, 2017. Lead Plaintiff opposed on December 28, 2017, and Defendants replied on January 29, 2018.
22. On February 8, 2018, Judge Cogburn issued an Order denying in full Defendants' motion to dismiss.
23. On March 26, 2018, Defendants filed their Answer to the Complaint.

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<sup>2</sup> On October 30, 2018, St. Paul Electrical Construction Pension Plan, St. Paul Electrical Construction Workers Supplemental Pension Plan, and St. Paul Electrical Workers Retirement Medical Funding Plan filed a notice of withdrawal as “additional named plaintiff” in the Action.



24. On April 17, 2018, the Court entered a Pretrial Order and Case Management Plan, and the Parties vigorously pursued fact discovery thereafter.

**B. The Parties' Settlement Negotiations**

25. On December 14, 2018 and April 16, 2019, the Parties conducted in-person mediations in New York City before the Honorable Layn Phillips (Ret.) of Phillips ADR Enterprises. On April 16, 2019, counsel for the Parties executed a term sheet providing for the Settlement and release of all claims asserted against the Defendants for \$19,500,000.00, subject to certain terms and conditions and the execution of a customary "long form" stipulation of Settlement and related papers.
26. Based upon their investigation, prosecution, and mediation of the case, Plaintiff's Counsel have concluded that the terms and conditions of the Stipulation are fair, reasonable, and adequate to Lead Plaintiff and the other members of the Settlement Class, and in their best interests. Based on Lead Plaintiff's oversight of the prosecution of this matter and with the advice of Plaintiff's Counsel, Lead Plaintiff has agreed to settle the claims raised in the Action pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Stipulation, after considering (a) the very substantial financial benefit that Lead Plaintiff and the other members of the Settlement Class will receive under the proposed Settlement, (b) the significant risks of continued litigation and trial, and (c) the desirability of permitting the Settlement to be consummated as provided by the terms of the Stipulation. The fact that Lead Plaintiff has agreed to settle the Action shall in no event be construed or deemed to be evidence of or an admission or concession on the part of any Lead Plaintiff of any infirmity in any of the claims asserted in the Action, or an admission or concession that any of Defendants' affirmative defenses to liability have any merit.
27. Defendants are entering into the Stipulation solely to eliminate the uncertainty, burden, and expense of further protracted litigation. Each of the Defendants denies any wrongdoing and the Stipulation shall in no event be construed or deemed to be an admission or concession on the part of any of the Defendants, or any of the other Defendant Releasees (defined in paragraph 59 below), with respect to any claim or allegation of any fault or liability or wrongdoing or damage whatsoever, or any infirmity in the defenses that Defendants have or could have asserted. Defendants expressly deny that Lead Plaintiff has asserted any valid claims as to any of them and expressly deny all allegations of fault, liability, wrongdoing, or damages whatsoever.
28. On \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, the Court preliminarily approved the Settlement, authorized this Notice to be disseminated to potential Settlement Class Members, and scheduled the Settlement Fairness Hearing to consider whether to grant final approval of the Settlement.

**HOW DO I KNOW IF I AM AFFECTED BY THE SETTLEMENT?**

29. If you are a member of the Settlement Class, you are subject to the Settlement unless you are excluded from the Settlement Class as set forth below. The Settlement Class consists of all persons and entities who purchased B&W publicly-traded common stock on the

NYSE, on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or who purchased B&W stock on the NYSE on a “when issued” basis during the period from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive. Excluded from the Settlement Class by definition are: (i) Defendants; (ii) members of the Immediate Family of any Defendant who is an individual; (iii) any person who was an officer or director of B&W during the Class Period; (iv) any firm, trust, corporation, or other entity in which any Defendant has or had a controlling interest; (v) B&W’s employee retirement and benefit plan(s) and their participants or beneficiaries, to the extent they made purchases through such plan(s); and (vi) the legal representatives, affiliates, heirs, successors-in-interest, or assigns of any such excluded person. Also excluded from the Settlement Class are any persons or entities who submit a request for exclusion from the Settlement Class in connection with this Notice.

**PLEASE NOTE: RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE DOES NOT MEAN THAT YOU ARE A SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBER OR THAT YOU WILL BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE PROCEEDS FROM THE SETTLEMENT. IF YOU WISH TO BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEEDS FROM THE SETTLEMENT, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THE CLAIM FORM THAT IS BEING DISTRIBUTED WITH THIS NOTICE AND THE REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION POSTMARKED (IF MAILED), OR ONLINE, NO LATER THAN \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.**

**WHAT ARE LEAD PLAINTIFF’S REASONS FOR THE SETTLEMENT?**

30. The principal reason for Lead Plaintiff’s consent to the Settlement is that it provides an immediate and substantial benefit to the Settlement Class, in the form of a substantial monetary recovery. The benefit of the present Settlement must be compared to the risk that no recovery might be achieved after a contested trial and likely appeals, possibly many months, or even years, into the future.
31. But for the Settlement, this Action would have proceeded through further fact discovery, expert discovery, a motion for class certification, summary judgment motions and, depending on the outcome, trial. The claims advanced by the Settlement Class in the Action involve numerous complex legal and factual issues. If the Action were to proceed to trial, Lead Plaintiff would have to overcome significant defenses asserted by Defendants. Among other things, the Parties disagree about (i) whether Lead Plaintiff or the Settlement Class have suffered any damages, (ii) whether the price of B&W common stock was artificially inflated by reason of the alleged misrepresentations and omissions, and (iii) whether Defendants made any material misrepresentations or omissions. Even after an extensive investigation and substantial discovery, questions remain regarding Defendants’ liability or the extent thereof, and whether a jury would find them liable. This Settlement enables the Settlement Class to recover without incurring any additional risk or costs.
32. Defendants have expressly denied and continue to deny all assertions of wrongdoing or liability against them arising out of any of the conduct, statements, acts, or omissions alleged, or that could have been alleged, in the Action. Defendants also continue to believe that the claims asserted against them in the Action are without merit. Defendants have

agreed to enter into the Settlement, as embodied in the Stipulation, solely to avoid the uncertainty, burden, and expense of further protracted litigation.

#### **WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN IF THERE WERE NO SETTLEMENT?**

33. If there were no Settlement and Lead Plaintiff failed to establish any essential legal or factual element of its claims, neither Lead Plaintiff nor the other members of the Settlement Class would recover anything from Defendants. Also, if Defendants were successful in proving any of their defenses at summary judgment, trial, or on appeal, the Settlement Class likely would recover substantially less than the amount provided in the Settlement, or nothing at all.

#### **HOW MUCH WILL MY PAYMENT BE?**

34. At this time, it is not possible to make any determination as to how much any individual Settlement Class Member may receive from the Settlement.
35. Pursuant to the Settlement, Defendants have agreed to pay \$19,500,000.00 in cash. The Settlement Amount will be deposited into an interest-bearing Escrow Account. The Settlement Amount plus all interest earned thereon while in escrow is referred to as the "Settlement Fund." If the Settlement is approved by the Court and the Effective Date occurs, the "Net Settlement Fund" (that is, the Settlement Fund less (i) any Taxes and Tax Expenses; (ii) any Notice and Administration Costs; (iii) any Litigation Expenses awarded by the Court; and (iv) any attorneys' fees awarded by the Court) will be distributed to Settlement Class Members who submit valid Claim Forms, in accordance with the proposed Plan of Allocation (as set forth below) or such other plan of allocation as the Court may approve.
36. The Net Settlement Fund will not be distributed until the Court has approved a plan of allocation and the Settlement, and the time for any petition for rehearing, appeal, or review, whether by certiorari or otherwise, has expired.
37. Neither Defendants nor any other person or entity that paid any portion of the Settlement Amount on their behalf are entitled to get back any portion of the Settlement Fund once the Court's order or Judgment approving the Settlement becomes Final. Defendants shall not have any liability, obligation, or responsibility for the administration of the Settlement, the disbursement of the Net Settlement Fund, or the Plan of Allocation.
38. Approval of the Settlement is independent from approval of a plan of allocation. Any determination with respect to a plan of allocation will not affect the Settlement, if approved.
39. Only Settlement Class Members, *i.e.*, persons and entities who purchased B&W publicly-traded common stock on the NYSE, on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or who purchased B&W stock on the NYSE on a "when issued" basis during the period from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive, and were damaged as a result of such purchases and who or which are not excluded from the Settlement Class, will be eligible

to share in the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund.

40. Each Settlement Class Member wishing to participate in the distribution must timely submit a valid Claim Form establishing membership in the Settlement Class, including all required documentation, postmarked on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 2019 to the address set forth in the Claim Form that accompanies this Notice.
41. Unless the Court otherwise orders, any Settlement Class Member who fails to submit a Claim Form postmarked on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 2019 shall be fully and forever barred from receiving payments pursuant to the Settlement, but will in all other respects remain a Settlement Class Member and be subject to the provisions of the Stipulation, including the terms of any Judgment entered and the releases given. This means that each Settlement Class Member releases the Released Plaintiff's Claims against the Defendant Releasees and will be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Plaintiff's Claims against any of the Defendant Releasees, whether or not such Settlement Class Member submits a Claim Form.
42. The Court has reserved jurisdiction to allow, disallow, or adjust on equitable grounds, the Claim of any Settlement Class Member. Each Claimant shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to his, her, or its Claim Form.

#### **PROPOSED PLAN OF ALLOCATION**

43. The Plan of Allocation set forth below is the plan that is being proposed to the Court for approval by Lead Plaintiff after consultation with its damages expert. The Court may approve the Plan of Allocation with or without modification, or approve another plan of allocation, without further notice to the Settlement Class. Any Orders regarding a modification of the Plan of Allocation will be posted on the website for the Settlement, [www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com](http://www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com). Defendants have had, and will have, no involvement or responsibility for the terms or application of the Plan of Allocation.
44. The objective of the proposed Plan of Allocation is to equitably distribute the Net Settlement Fund among those Settlement Class Members who suffered economic losses as a result of the alleged violations of the federal securities laws set forth in the Complaint, as opposed to economic losses caused by market or industry factors or company-specific factors unrelated thereto. To that end, Lead Plaintiff's damages expert calculated the estimated amount of alleged artificial inflation in the per share price of B&W common stock over the course of the Class Period that was allegedly proximately caused by Defendants' alleged materially false and misleading misrepresentations and omissions. In calculating the estimated artificial inflation allegedly caused by those misrepresentations and omissions, Lead Plaintiff's damages expert considered price changes in B&W common stock in reaction to public disclosures that allegedly corrected the respective alleged misrepresentations and omissions. The calculations made pursuant to the Plan of Allocation, however, do not represent a formal damages analysis that has been



adjudicated in the Action and are not intended to measure the amounts that Settlement Class Members would recover after a trial. Nor are these calculations intended to be estimates of the amounts that will be paid to Authorized Claimants pursuant to the Settlement. The computations under the Plan of Allocation are only a method to weigh the claims of Authorized Claimants against one another for the purposes of making *pro rata* allocations of the Net Settlement Fund.

45. For losses to be compensable damages under the federal securities laws, the disclosure of the allegedly misrepresented information must be the cause of the decline in the price of the security. Accordingly, to have a “Recognized Loss Amount” pursuant to the Plan of Allocation, B&W common stock must have been purchased during the Class Period (i.e., from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive) and ***held through*** at least one of the alleged corrective disclosures that removed alleged artificial inflation related to that information. To that end, Lead Plaintiff’s damages expert has identified June 28, 2016 (prior to the opening of trading), November 2, 2016 (after the close of trading), February 28, 2017 (after the close of trading)/March 1, 2017 (prior to the opening of trading) and August 9, 2017 (after the close of trading) as dates where alleged corrective information was released to the market and removed artificial inflation from the price of B&W common stock on June 28, 2016, November 3, 2016, March 1, 2017 and August 10, 2017.

#### **CALCULATION OF RECOGNIZED LOSS AMOUNTS**

46. For purposes of determining whether a Claimant has a “Recognized Claim,” purchases and sales of B&W common stock will first be matched on a First In, First Out (“FIFO”) basis as set forth in ¶ 51 below.
47. A “Recognized Loss Amount” will be calculated as set forth below for each share of B&W common stock purchased on the NYSE, on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or purchased on the NYSE on a “when issued” basis during the period from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive, that is listed in the Claim Form and for which adequate documentation is provided. To the extent that the calculation of a Claimant’s Recognized Loss Amount results in a negative number, that number shall be set to zero. The sum of a Claimant’s Recognized Loss Amounts will be the Claimant’s “Recognized Claim.”
48. For each share of B&W common stock purchased from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive, and sold on or before November 7, 2017,<sup>3</sup> an “Out of

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<sup>3</sup> November 7, 2017 represents the last day of the 90-day period subsequent to the end of the Class Period, i.e., August 9, 2017 (the “90-day look-back period,” August 10, 2017 through November 7, 2017). The PSLRA imposes a statutory limitation on recoverable damages using the 90-day look-back period. This limitation is incorporated into the calculation of a Settlement Class Member’s Recognized Loss Amount. Specifically, a Settlement Class Member’s Recognized Loss Amount cannot exceed the difference between the purchase price paid for the B&W common stock and the average price of B&W common stock during

Pocket Loss” will be calculated. Out of Pocket Loss is defined as the per-share purchase price (excluding all fees, taxes, and commissions) *minus* the per-share sale price (excluding all fees, taxes, and commissions). To the extent that the calculation of an Out of Pocket Loss results in a negative number, that number shall be set to zero.

49. A Claimant’s Recognized Loss Amount per share of B&W common stock purchased on the NYSE, on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or purchased on the NYSE on a “when issued” basis during the Class Period will be calculated as follows:

- A. For each share of B&W common stock purchased during the Class Period and subsequently sold prior to the opening of trading on June 28, 2016, the Recognized Loss Amount is \$0.
- B. For each share of B&W common stock purchased during the Class Period and subsequently sold after the opening of trading on June 28, 2016 and prior to the close of trading on August 9, 2017, the Recognized Loss Amount shall be *the lesser of*:
  - (i) the dollar amount of alleged artificial inflation applicable to each such share on the date of purchase as set forth in **Table 1** below *minus* the dollar amount of alleged artificial inflation applicable to each such share on the date of sale as set forth in **Table 1** below; or
  - (ii) the Out of Pocket Loss.
- C. For each share of B&W common stock purchased during the Class Period and subsequently sold after the close of trading on August 9, 2017 and prior to the close of trading on November 7, 2017 (i.e., the last day of the 90-day look-back period), the Recognized Loss Amount shall be *the least of*:
  - (i) the dollar amount of alleged artificial inflation applicable to each such share on the date of purchase as set forth in **Table 1**;
  - (ii) the purchase price of each such share (excluding all fees, taxes, and commissions) *minus* the 90-day look-back value as set forth in **Table 2** below; or

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the 90-day look-back period if the share was held through November 7, 2017, the end of this period. Losses on B&W common stock purchased during the period from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive, and sold during the 90-day look-back period cannot exceed the difference between the purchase price paid for the B&W common stock and the average price of B&W common stock during the portion of the 90-day look-back period elapsed as of the date of sale (the “90-day look-back value”), as set forth in **Table 2** below.

- (iii) the Out of Pocket Loss.
- D. For each share of B&W common stock purchased during the Class Period and still held as of the close of trading on November 7, 2017 (i.e., the last day of the 90-day look-back period), the Recognized Loss Amount shall be *the lesser of*:
  - (i) the dollar amount of alleged artificial inflation applicable to each such share on the date of purchase as set forth in **Table 1** below; or
  - (ii) the purchase price of each such share (excluding all fees, taxes, and commissions) *minus* \$3.31 (the average closing price of B&W common stock during the 90-day look-back period (i.e., August 10, 2017 through November 7, 2017), as shown on the last line in **Table 2** below).

#### **ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS**

- 50. The Net Settlement Fund will be allocated among all Authorized Claimants whose Distribution Amount (defined in ¶ 55 below) is \$10.00 or greater.
- 51. If a Settlement Class Member has more than one purchase or sale of B&W common stock during the Class Period, all purchases and sales shall be matched on a FIFO basis. Class Period sales will be matched first against any holdings at the beginning of the Class Period, and then against purchases in chronological order, beginning with the earliest purchase made during the Class Period.
- 52. Purchases and sales of B&W common stock shall be deemed to have occurred on the “contract” or “trade” date as opposed to the “settlement” or “payment” date. The receipt or grant by gift, inheritance or operation of law of B&W common stock during the Class Period, shall not be deemed a purchase or sale of these shares of B&W common stock for the calculation of an Authorized Claimant’s Recognized Claim, nor shall the receipt or grant be deemed an assignment of any claim relating to the purchase of such shares of B&W common stock unless (i) the donor or decedent purchased such shares of B&W common stock during the Class Period; (ii) no Claim Form was submitted by or on behalf of the donor, on behalf of the decedent, or by anyone else with respect to such shares of B&W common stock; and (iii) it is specifically so provided in the instrument of gift or assignment.
- 53. The date of covering a “short sale” is deemed to be the date of purchase of the B&W common stock. The date of a “short sale” is deemed to be the date of sale of the B&W common stock. In accordance with the Plan of Allocation, however, the Recognized Loss Amount on “short sales” is zero. In the event that a Claimant has an opening short position in B&W common stock, the earliest purchases during the



Class Period shall be matched against such opening short position and not be entitled to a recovery until that short position is fully covered.

54. B&W common stock purchased on the NYSE, on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or purchased on the NYSE on a “when issued” basis is the only security eligible for recovery under the Plan of Allocation. Option contracts to purchase or sell B&W common stock are not securities eligible to participate in the Settlement. With respect to B&W common stock purchased or sold through the exercise of an option, the purchase/sale date of the B&W common stock is the exercise date of the option and the purchase/sale price is the exercise price of the option. Any Recognized Loss Amount arising from purchases of B&W common stock acquired during the Class Period through the exercise of an option on B&W common stock<sup>4</sup> shall be computed as provided for other purchases of B&W common stock in the Plan of Allocation.
55. The Net Settlement Fund will be distributed to Authorized Claimants on a *pro rata* basis based on the relative size of their Recognized Claims. Specifically, a “Distribution Amount” will be calculated for each Authorized Claimant, which will be the Authorized Claimant’s Recognized Claim divided by the total Recognized Claims of all Authorized Claimants, multiplied by the total amount in the Net Settlement Fund. If any Authorized Claimant’s Distribution Amount calculates to less than \$10.00, it will not be included in the calculation and no distribution will be made to that Authorized Claimant.
56. After the initial distribution of the Net Settlement Fund, the Claims Administrator will make reasonable and diligent efforts to have Authorized Claimants cash their distribution checks. To the extent any monies remain in the Net Settlement Fund by reason of uncashed checks, or otherwise, nine (9) months after the initial distribution, if Lead Counsel, in consultation with the Claims Administrator, determines that it is cost-effective to do so, the Claims Administrator will conduct a re-distribution of the funds remaining after payment of any unpaid fees and expenses incurred in administering the Settlement, including for such re-distribution, to Authorized Claimants who have cashed their initial distributions and who would receive at least \$10.00 from such re-distribution. Additional re-distributions may occur thereafter if Lead Counsel, in consultation with the Claims Administrator, determines that additional re-distributions, after deduction of any additional fees and expenses incurred in administering the Settlement, including for such re-distributions, would be cost-effective. At such time as it is determined that the re-distribution of funds remaining in the Net Settlement Fund is not cost-effective, the remaining balance shall be contributed to non-sectarian, not-for-profit organization(s), to be recommended by Plaintiffs’ Counsel and approved by the Court.

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<sup>4</sup> This includes (1) purchases of B&W common stock as the result of the exercise of a call option, and (2) purchases of B&W common stock by the seller of a put option as a result of the buyer of such put option exercising that put option.

57. Payment pursuant to the Plan of Allocation, or such other plan of allocation as may be approved by the Court, shall be conclusive against all Authorized Claimants. No person shall have any claim against Lead Plaintiff, Plaintiffs' Counsel, Liaison Counsel, Lead Plaintiff's damages expert, Defendants, Defendants' Counsel, any of the other Plaintiff Releasees or Defendant Releasees, or the Claims Administrator or other agent designated by Lead Counsel arising from distributions made substantially in accordance with the Stipulation, the Plan of Allocation approved by the Court, or further orders of the Court. Lead Plaintiff, Defendants and their respective counsel, and all other Defendant Releasees, shall have no responsibility or liability whatsoever for the investment or distribution of the Settlement Fund or the Net Settlement Fund; the Plan of Allocation; the determination, administration, calculation, or payment of any Claim Form or nonperformance of the Claims Administrator; the payment or withholding of Taxes or Tax Expenses; or any losses incurred in connection therewith.

**TABLE 1**  
**Estimated Alleged Artificial Inflation in B&W common stock**

<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>Estimated Alleged Artificial Inflation Per Share</b>
6/17/2015	6/27/2016	\$12.62
6/28/2016	11/2/2016	\$9.19
11/3/2016	2/28/2017	\$9.00
3/1/2017	8/9/2017	\$2.36

**TABLE 2**  
**B&W common stock 90-day look-back value by Sale/Disposition Date**

<b>Sale Date</b>	<b>90-day look-back value</b>		<b>Sale Date</b>	<b>90-day look-back value</b>
8/10/2017	\$2.70		9/26/2017	\$2.73
8/11/2017	\$2.81		9/27/2017	\$2.74
8/14/2017	\$2.84		9/28/2017	\$2.76
8/15/2017	\$2.80		9/29/2017	\$2.77
8/16/2017	\$2.73		10/2/2017	\$2.79
8/17/2017	\$2.64		10/3/2017	\$2.82
8/18/2017	\$2.54		10/4/2017	\$2.84
8/21/2017	\$2.48		10/5/2017	\$2.86

TABLE 2			
B&W common stock 90-day look-back value by Sale/Disposition Date			
Sale Date	90-day look-back value	Sale Date	90-day look-back value
8/22/2017	\$2.41	10/6/2017	\$2.89
8/23/2017	\$2.33	10/9/2017	\$2.91
8/24/2017	\$2.29	10/10/2017	\$2.93
8/25/2017	\$2.29	10/11/2017	\$2.95
8/28/2017	\$2.27	10/12/2017	\$2.98
8/29/2017	\$2.26	10/13/2017	\$3.00
8/30/2017	\$2.26	10/16/2017	\$3.02
8/31/2017	\$2.26	10/17/2017	\$3.05
9/1/2017	\$2.29	10/18/2017	\$3.07
9/5/2017	\$2.31	10/19/2017	\$3.09
9/6/2017	\$2.34	10/20/2017	\$3.12
9/7/2017	\$2.36	10/23/2017	\$3.14
9/8/2017	\$2.38	10/24/2017	\$3.16
9/11/2017	\$2.39	10/25/2017	\$3.17
9/12/2017	\$2.41	10/26/2017	\$3.19
9/13/2017	\$2.44	10/27/2017	\$3.21
9/14/2017	\$2.47	10/30/2017	\$3.22
9/15/2017	\$2.51	10/31/2017	\$3.24
9/18/2017	\$2.55	11/1/2017	\$3.26
9/19/2017	\$2.59	11/2/2017	\$3.27
9/20/2017	\$2.62	11/3/2017	\$3.28
9/21/2017	\$2.65	11/6/2017	\$3.30
9/22/2017	\$2.67	11/7/2017	\$3.31
9/25/2017	\$2.70		

#### HOW ARE SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBERS AFFECTED BY THE ACTION AND THE SETTLEMENT?

58. If you are a Settlement Class Member, you will be bound by any orders issued by the Court. If the Settlement is approved, the Court will enter a judgment (the “Judgment”), which will dismiss with prejudice the claims against Defendants. The Judgment will also provide that, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Lead Plaintiff and all other Settlement Class Members, on behalf of themselves, and their respective heirs, administrators, predecessors, successors and assigns in their capacities as such, will fully, finally and forever release all Released Plaintiff’s Claims against all Defendants

Releasees, to the fullest extent that the law permits.

59. “Defendant Releasees” means (i) Defendants and their attorneys; (ii) the Defendants’ respective Immediate Family members, heirs, trusts, trustees, executors, estates, administrators, beneficiaries, agents, affiliates, insurers and reinsurers, predecessors, predecessors-in-interest, successors, successors-in-interest, assigns, advisors and associates of each of the foregoing; and (iii) all current and former officers, directors, and employees of B&W, in their capacities as such.
60. “Released Claims” means all Released Defendants’ Claims and all Released Plaintiff’s Claims. “Released Defendants’ Claims” means all claims and causes of action of every nature and description, whether known claims or Unknown Claims, whether arising under federal, state, local, common, statutory, administrative or foreign law, or any other law, rule or regulation, at law or in equity, whether class or individual in nature, whether accrued or unaccrued, whether liquidated or unliquidated, whether matured or unmatured, that arise out of or relate in any way to the institution, prosecution, or settlement of the claims against Defendants. “Released Defendants’ Claims” do not include any claims relating to the enforcement of the Settlement. “Released Plaintiff’s Claims” means all claims and causes of action of every nature and description, whether known claims or Unknown Claims, whether arising under federal, state, local, common, statutory, administrative or foreign law, or any other law, rule or regulation, at law or in equity, whether class or individual in nature, whether accrued or unaccrued, whether liquidated or unliquidated, whether matured or unmatured, that Lead Plaintiff or any other member of the Settlement Class: (i) asserted in the Action or (ii) could have asserted in any court or forum that arise out of or are based upon the allegations, transactions, facts, matters or occurrences, representations, or omissions set forth in the Action and that relate to the purchase of B&W publicly-traded common stock on the NYSE or other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, and the purchase of B&W stock on the NYSE on a “when issued” basis during the Class Period. “Released Plaintiff’s Claims” do not include (i) any claims relating to the enforcement of the Settlement; (ii) any of the claims asserted in the following actions: *In re Babcock & Wilcox Enterprises, Inc. Shareholder Derivative Litigation*, No. 3:18-cv-00347-MOC-DCK (W.D.N.C.); *Marks ex rel. Babcock & Wilcox, Enterprises, Inc. v. Ferland, et al.*, No. 18cvs21193 (N.C. Super. Ct., Mecklenburg Cty.); or (iii) any claims of any person or entity who or which submits a request for exclusion from the Settlement Class that is accepted by the Court.
61. “Unknown Claims” means any Released Plaintiff’s Claims which Lead Plaintiff or any other Settlement Class Member does not know or suspect to exist in his, her or its favor at the time of the release of such claims, and any Released Defendants’ Claims which any Defendant does not know or suspect to exist in his or its favor at the time of the release of such claims, which, if known by him, her or it, might have affected his, her or its decision(s) with respect to this Settlement, including, but not limited to, whether or not to object to the Settlement or to the release of the Released Claims. With respect to any and all Released Claims, the Parties stipulate and agree that, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Lead Plaintiff and Defendants shall expressly waive, and each of the Settlement Class Members shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Judgment or the Alternative Judgment, if

applicable, shall have, expressly waived, the provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States, or principle of common law or foreign law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to California Civil Code §1542, which provides:

**A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release and that, if known by him or her, would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.**

The Parties acknowledge that they may hereafter discover facts in addition to or different from those which he, she or it or their counsel now knows or believes to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Released Claims, but, upon the Effective Date, Lead Plaintiff and Defendants shall expressly settle and release, and each of the other Settlement Class Members shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Judgment or the Alternative Judgment, if applicable, shall have, settled and released, any and all Released Claims without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such different or additional facts. Lead Plaintiff and Defendants acknowledge, and each of the other Settlement Class Members shall be deemed by operation of the Judgment or the Alternative Judgment, if applicable, to have acknowledged, that the foregoing waiver was separately bargained for and is a key element of the Settlement of which this release is a part.

**WHAT PAYMENT ARE THE ATTORNEYS FOR THE SETTLEMENT CLASS  
SEEKING?  
HOW WILL THE LAWYERS BE PAID?**

62. Plaintiff's Counsel and Liaison Counsel have not received any payment for their services in pursuing claims against the Defendants on behalf of the Settlement Class, nor have Plaintiff's Counsel and Liaison Counsel been reimbursed for their out-of-pocket expenses. Before final approval of the Settlement, Lead Counsel, on behalf of Plaintiff's Counsel and Liaison Counsel, will apply to the Court for an award of attorneys' fees from the Settlement Fund in an amount not to exceed 25% of the Settlement Fund. At the same time, Lead Counsel also intends to apply for the reimbursement of Litigation Expenses incurred by Plaintiff's Counsel and Liaison Counsel in an amount not to exceed \$400,000, which may include an application for reimbursement of the reasonable costs and expenses incurred by Lead Plaintiff directly related to its representation of the Settlement Class. The Court will determine the amount of any award of attorneys' fees or reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. Such sums as may be approved by the Court will be paid from the Settlement Fund. Settlement Class Members are not personally liable for any such fees or expenses.

**WHAT IF I DO NOT WANT TO BE A MEMBER OF THE SETTLEMENT CLASS?  
HOW DO I EXCLUDE MYSELF?**



63. Each Settlement Class Member will be bound by all determinations and judgments in this lawsuit, whether favorable or unfavorable, unless such person or entity mails or delivers a written request for exclusion addressed to: Babcock & Wilcox Ent., Inc. Securities Litigation c/o JND Legal Administration, P.O. Box 91095, Seattle, WA 98111-9195. The request for exclusion must be received no later than \_\_\_\_\_, 2019. You will not be able to exclude yourself from the Settlement Class after that date.
64. Each request for exclusion must: (i) state the name, address, and telephone number of the person or entity requesting exclusion, and in the case of entities, the name and telephone number of the appropriate contact person; (ii) state that such person or entity “requests exclusion from the Settlement Class in *Ollila v. Babcock & Wilcox Enterprises, Inc.*, Case No. 3:17-CV-00109-MOC-DCK (W.D.N.C.)”; (iii) state the number of shares of B&W common stock that the person or entity requesting exclusion purchased and/or sold during the Class Period, as well as the dates, number of shares, and prices of each such purchase and/or sale; and (iv) be signed by the person or entity requesting exclusion or an authorized representative.
65. A request for exclusion shall not be valid and effective unless it provides all the information called for in ¶ 64 and is received within the time stated above, or is otherwise accepted by the Court.
66. If you do not want to be part of the Settlement Class, you must follow these instructions for exclusion even if you have pending, or later file, another lawsuit, arbitration, or other proceeding relating to any Released Plaintiff’s Claim against any of the Defendants’ Releasees. Excluding yourself from the Settlement Class is the only option that allows you to be part of any other current or future lawsuit against Defendants or any of the other Defendants’ Releasees concerning the Released Plaintiff’s Claims. Please note, however, if you decide to exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you may be time-barred from asserting the claims covered by the Action by a statute of repose. In addition, Defendants and the other Defendants’ Releasees will have the right to assert any and all defenses they may have to any claims that you may seek to assert.
67. If you ask to be excluded from the Settlement Class, you will not be eligible to receive any payment out of the Net Settlement Fund.
68. Defendants have the right to terminate the Settlement if valid requests for exclusion are received from persons and entities entitled to be members of the Settlement Class in an amount that exceeds an amount agreed to by Lead Plaintiff and Defendants.

#### **HOW DO I PARTICIPATE IN THE SETTLEMENT? WHAT DO I NEED TO DO?**

69. To be eligible for a payment from the proceeds of the Settlement, you must be a member of the Settlement Class and you must timely complete and return the Claim Form with adequate supporting documentation **postmarked (if mailed), or submitted online at [www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com](http://www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com), no later than \_\_\_\_\_, 2019**. A Claim Form is included with this Notice, or you may obtain one from the website for the

Settlement, [www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com](http://www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com), or you may request that a Claim Form be mailed to you by calling the Claims Administrator, JND Legal Administration, at 1-833-759-2979. **Please retain all records of your ownership of and transactions in B&W common stock, as they may be needed to document your Claim.** If you are excluded from the Settlement Class by definition or you submit a request for exclusion in connection with this Notice, or if you do not submit a timely and valid Claim Form, you will not be eligible to share in the Net Settlement Fund.

70. As a Settlement Class Member, you are represented by Lead Plaintiff and Lead Counsel, unless you enter an appearance through counsel of your own choice at your own expense. You are not required to retain your own counsel, but if you choose to do so, such counsel must file a notice of appearance on your behalf and must serve copies of his or her notice of appearance on the attorneys listed in the section entitled, "When and Where Will the Court Decide Whether to Approve the Settlement?," below.
71. If you are a Settlement Class Member and you wish to object to the Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, or the application for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, you may present your objections by following the instructions in the section entitled, "When and Where Will the Court Decide Whether to Approve the Settlement?" below.

**WHEN AND WHERE WILL THE COURT DECIDE  
WHETHER TO APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT?  
DO I HAVE TO COME TO THE HEARING?  
MAY I SPEAK AT THE HEARING IF I DON'T LIKE THE SETTLEMENT?**

72. Settlement Class Members do not need to attend the Settlement Fairness Hearing. The Court will consider any submission made in accordance with the provisions below even if a Settlement Class Member does not attend the hearing. You can participate in the Settlement without attending the Settlement Fairness Hearing.
73. The Settlement Fairness Hearing will be held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2019 at \_\_\_\_\_ before the Honorable Max O. Cogburn, at the United States District Court Western District of North Carolina, 401 West Trade Street, Room 210, Charlotte, NC 28202. The Court reserves the right to approve the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, and/or any other matter related to the Settlement at or after the Settlement Hearing without further notice to the members of the Settlement Class.
74. Any Settlement Class Member who is not requesting exclusion from the Settlement Class may object to the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, or the motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. Objections must be in writing. You must file any written objection, together with copies of all other papers and briefs supporting the objection, with the Clerk's Office of the Court at the address set forth below on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 2019. You must also serve the papers on Lead Counsel for the Settlement Class and Defendants' Counsel at the addresses set forth below

so that the papers are *received* on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

CLERK'S OFFICE	LEAD COUNSEL	DEFENDANTS' COUNSEL
Clerk's Office United States District Court Western District of North Carolina 401 West Trade Street, Room 210 Charlotte, NC 28202 (704) 350-7400	Frederic S. Fox <b>KAPLAN FOX &amp; KILSHEIMER LLP</b> 850 Third Avenue; 14 <sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10022 (212) 687-1980	John Latham <b>ALSTON &amp; BIRD LLP</b> One Atlantic Center 1201 West Peachtree Street Suite 4900 Atlanta, GA 30309-3424 (404) 881-7000

75. Any objection to the Settlement must include: (1) the name, address, and telephone number of the person objecting, signed by the objector; (2) a statement of such person's objections to any matters before the Court concerning the Settlement and whether the objection applies only to the objector, to a specific subset of the Settlement Class, or to the entire Settlement Class; (3) the grounds therefore or the reasons that such person desires to appear and be heard, as well as all documents or writings such person desires the Court to consider; (4) whether that person intends to present any witnesses and/or experts, the identity of any such witnesses and/or experts, and the nature of the testimony; and (5) proof of the person's membership in the Settlement Class, which proof shall include the person's purchases of B&W common stock during the Class Period and any sales thereof, including the dates, the number of shares, and price(s) paid and received for each such purchase or sale.
76. You may file a written objection without having to appear at the Settlement Fairness Hearing. You may not, however, appear at the Settlement Fairness Hearing to present your objection unless you first filed and served a written objection in accordance with the procedures described above, unless the Court orders otherwise.
77. If you wish to be heard orally at the Settlement Fairness Hearing in opposition to the approval of the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, or the motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, and if you file and serve a timely written objection as described above, you must also file a notice of appearance with the Clerk's Office and serve it on Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel at the addresses set forth above so that it is *received* on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 2019. Persons who intend to object and desire to present evidence at the Settlement Fairness Hearing must include in their written objection or notice of appearance the identity of any witnesses they may call to testify, the nature of the testimony, and any exhibits they intend to introduce into evidence at the Settlement Hearing. Such persons may be heard orally at the discretion of the Court.
78. You are not required to hire an attorney to represent you in making written objections or



in appearing at the Settlement Fairness Hearing. If you decide to hire an attorney, however, it will be at your own expense and that attorney must file a notice of appearance with the Court and serve it on Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel at the addresses set forth above so that the notice is *received* on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

79. The Settlement Fairness Hearing may be adjourned by the Court without further written notice to the Settlement Class. If you intend to attend the Settlement Fairness Hearing, you should confirm the date and time with Lead Counsel.
80. **Unless the Court orders otherwise, any Settlement Class Member who does not object in the manner described above will be deemed to have waived any objection and shall be forever foreclosed from making any objection to the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, or Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. Settlement Class Members do not need to appear at the hearing or take any other action to indicate their approval.**

#### **WHAT IF I BOUGHT B&W STOCK ON SOMEONE ELSE'S BEHALF?**

81. If, for the beneficial interest of any person or entity other than yourself, you purchased B&W publicly-traded common stock on the NYSE, on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or on the NYSE on a "when issued" basis during the period from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive, you must either: (i) send the Notice and Claim Form to all such beneficial owners, postmarked within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the Notice; or (ii) send a list of the names and addresses of such beneficial owners to the Claims Administrator within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of the Notice, in which event the Claims Administrator shall mail the Notice and Claim Form to such beneficial owners within ten (10) calendar days after receipt thereof.
82. If you choose the first option, *i.e.*, you elect to mail the Notice directly to beneficial owners, you must retain the mailing records for use in connection with any further notices that may be provided in the Action. If you elect that option, the Claims Administrator will forward the Notice and Claim Form (together, the "Notice Packet") to you to send to the beneficial owners. You must mail the Notice Packets to the beneficial owners within ten (10) calendar days of your receipt of the packets. Upon mailing of the Notice Packets, you may seek reimbursement of your reasonable expenses actually incurred, by providing the Claims Administrator with proper documentation supporting the expenses for which reimbursement is sought.
83. If you choose the second option, you must, within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of this Notice, provide a list of the names and addresses of all such beneficial owners to Babcock & Wilcox Ent., Inc. Securities Litigation c/o JND Legal Administration, P.O. Box 91095, Seattle, WA 98111-9195. The Claims Administrator will send a copy of the Notice Packet to the beneficial owners whose names and addresses you supply. Upon full compliance with these directions, you may seek reimbursement of your reasonable expenses actually incurred by providing the Claims Administrator with proper documentation supporting the expenses for which reimbursement is sought. Copies of the Notice Packet may also be

obtained from the website for this Action, [www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com](http://www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com), or by calling the Claims Administrator toll-free at 1-833-759-2979.

**CAN I SEE THE COURT FILE?  
WHOM SHOULD I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS?**

84. This Notice contains only a summary of the terms of the proposed Settlement. For more detailed information about the matters involved in the Action, you are referred to the papers on file in the Action, including the Stipulation, which may be inspected during regular office hours at the Office of the Clerk, United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina. Additionally, copies of the Stipulation and any related orders entered by the Court will be posted on the website for the Settlement, [www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com](http://www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com). All inquiries concerning this Notice or the Claim Form should be directed to the Claims Administrator or Lead Counsel.

**DO NOT CALL OR WRITE THE COURT OR THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF  
COURT, DEFENDANTS OR THEIR COUNSEL REGARDING THIS NOTICE.**

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2019

By Order of the Clerk of Court  
United States District Court

STIPULATION  
EXHIBIT A(2)

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

ERIC OLLILA, Individually and on Behalf of All  
Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

BABCOCK & WILCOX ENTERPRISES, INC.,  
E. JAMES FERLAND and JENNY L. APKER,

Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO.: 3:17-CV-00109

**PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE**

**Deadline for Submission:** \_\_\_\_\_

If you purchased Babcock & Wilcox Enterprises, Inc. ("B&W") publicly-traded common stock (trading symbol "BW") on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"), on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or you purchased B&W stock on the NYSE on a "when issued" basis during the period from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive, you are a member of the Settlement Class and you could get a payment from a class action settlement.

IF YOU ARE A SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBER, IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A SHARE OF THE NET SETTLEMENT FUND IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT, YOU MUST COMPLETE AND SIGN THIS PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE ("CLAIM FORM") AND MAIL IT BY FIRST CLASS MAIL TO THE BELOW ADDRESS, OR SUBMIT IT ONLINE AT [WWW.BABCOCKWILCOXSECURITIESLITIGATION.COM](http://WWW.BABCOCKWILCOXSECURITIESLITIGATION.COM), **POSTMARKED (OR RECEIVED) NO LATER THAN \_\_\_\_\_, 2019:**

**Babcock & Wilcox Ent., Inc. Securities Litigation  
c/o JND Legal Administration  
P.O. Box 91095  
Seattle, WA 98111-9195**

YOUR FAILURE TO SUBMIT YOUR CLAIM FORM BY \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, WILL SUBJECT YOUR CLAIM TO REJECTION AND PRECLUDE YOUR FROM BEING ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE ANY MONEY IN CONNECTION WITH THE SETTLEMENT OF THIS ACTION. DO NOT MAIL OR DELIVER YOUR CLAIM TO THE COURT OR TO ANY OF THE PARTIES TO THE ACTION OR THEIR COUNSEL AS ANY SUCH CLAIM WILL BE DEEMED NOT TO HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED. SUBMIT YOUR CLAIM ONLY TO THE CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR AT THE ADDRESS ABOVE, OR ONLINE AT [WWW.BABCOCKWILCOXSECURITIESLITIGATION.COM](http://WWW.BABCOCKWILCOXSECURITIESLITIGATION.COM).

## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. This Claim Form is directed to members of the Settlement Class, as defined in the accompanying Notice. Certain persons and entities are excluded from the Settlement Class by definition as set forth in ¶ 1 of the Notice.

2. By submitting this Claim Form, you will be making a request to share in the proceeds of the Settlement described in the Notice. **IF YOU ARE NOT A SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBER, OR IF YOU SUBMITTED A REQUEST FOR EXCLUSION FROM THE SETTLEMENT CLASS, DO NOT SUBMIT A CLAIM FORM. YOU MAY NOT, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, PARTICIPATE IN THE SETTLEMENT. THUS, IF YOU ARE EXCLUDED FROM THE SETTLEMENT CLASS, ANY CLAIM FORM THAT YOU SUBMIT, OR THAT MAY BE SUBMITTED ON YOUR BEHALF, WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

3. **Submission of this Claim Form does not guarantee that you will share in the proceeds of the Settlement. The distribution of the Net Settlement Fund will be governed by the Plan of Allocation set forth in the Notice, if it is approved by the Court, or by such other plan of allocation as the Court approves.**

4. Use Part II – Transactions in B&W Common Stock to supply all required details of your transaction(s) (including free transfers and deliveries) in and holdings of B&W common stock. On this schedule, please provide all of the requested information with respect to your holdings, purchases, and sales of B&W common stock, whether such transactions resulted in a profit or a loss. Failure to report all transaction and holding information during the requested time period may result in the rejection of your claim.

5. You are required to submit genuine and sufficient documentation for all of your transactions in and holdings of B&W common stock set forth in Part II of this Claim Form. The documentation submitted must show that the claimed B&W common stock was purchased on the NYSE, on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or purchased on the NYSE on a “when issued” basis. Documentation may consist of copies of brokerage confirmation slips or monthly brokerage account statements, or an authorized statement from your broker containing the transactional and holding information found in a broker confirmation slip or account statement. The Parties and the Claims Administrator do not independently have information about your investments in B&W common stock. **IF SUCH DOCUMENTS ARE NOT IN YOUR POSSESSION, PLEASE OBTAIN COPIES OF THE DOCUMENTS OR EQUIVALENT DOCUMENTS FROM YOUR BROKER. FAILURE TO SUPPLY THIS DOCUMENTATION MAY RESULT IN THE REJECTION OF YOUR CLAIM. DO NOT SEND ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS.** Please keep a copy of all documents that you send to the Claims Administrator. Also, do not highlight any portion of the Claim Form or any supporting documents.

8. All joint beneficial owners each must sign this Claim Form and their names must appear as “Claimants” in Part I of this Claim Form. The complete name(s) of the beneficial owner(s) must be entered. If you purchased B&W common stock during the Class Period and held the shares in your name, you are the beneficial owner as well as the record owner. If you purchased B&W common stock during the Class Period and the shares were registered in the name of a third party, such as a nominee or brokerage firm, you are the beneficial owner of these shares, but the third party is the record owner. The beneficial owner, not the record owner, must sign this Claim Form.

9. One Claim Form should be submitted for each separate legal entity. Separate Claim Forms should be submitted for each separate legal entity (e.g., a claim from joint owners should not include separate transactions of just one of the joint owners, and an individual should not combine his or her IRA transactions with transactions made solely in the individual’s name). Conversely, a single Claim Form should be submitted on behalf of one legal entity including all transactions made by that entity on one Claim Form, no matter how many separate accounts that entity has (e.g., a corporation with multiple brokerage accounts should include all transactions made in all accounts on one Claim Form).

10. Agents, executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees must complete and sign the Claim Form on behalf of persons or entities represented by them, and they must:

(a) expressly state the capacity in which they are acting;

(b) identify the name, account number, last four digits of the Social Security Number (or Taxpayer Identification Number), address, and telephone number of the beneficial owner of (or other person or entity on whose behalf they are acting with respect to) the B&W common stock; and

(c) furnish herewith evidence of their authority to bind to the Claim Form the person or entity on whose behalf they are acting. (Authority to complete and sign a Claim Form cannot be established by stockbrokers demonstrating only that they have discretionary authority to trade securities in another person's accounts.)

11. If you have questions concerning the Claim Form, or need additional copies of the Claim Form or the Notice, you may contact the Claims Administrator, JND Legal Administration, at the above address, by email at [info@babcockwilcoxsecuritieslitigation.com](mailto:info@babcockwilcoxsecuritieslitigation.com), or by toll-free phone at 1-833-759-2979, or you can visit the website maintained by the Claims Administrator, [www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com](http://www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com), where copies of the Claim Form and Notice are available for downloading.

**NOTICE REGARDING ELECTRONIC FILES:** Certain claimants with large numbers of transactions may request, or may be requested, to submit information regarding their transactions in electronic files. All Claimants **MUST** submit a manually signed paper Claim Form listing all their transactions whether or not they also submit electronic copies. If you wish to file your claim electronically, you must contact the Claims Administrator at 1-833-759-2979, or visit the website for the Settlement at [www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com](http://www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com) to obtain the required file layout. No electronic files will be considered to have been properly submitted unless the Claims Administrator issues to the Claimant a written acknowledgment of receipt and acceptance of electronically submitted data.



**PART I - CLAIMANT INFORMATION**

Beneficial Owner's First Name	MI	Beneficial Owner's Last Name
Co-Beneficial Owner's First Name	MI	Co-Beneficial Owner's Last Name
Entity Name (if claimant is not an individual)		
Representative or Custodian Name (if different from Beneficial Owner(s) listed above)		
Address 1:		
Address 2:		
City	State	ZIP
Foreign Province	Foreign Country	
Day Phone	Evening Phone	
Email Address		
Account Number:		

Specify one of the following:

☐ Individual(s) ☐ Corporation ☐ UGMA Custodian ☐ IRA ☐ Partnership ☐ Estate  
☐ Trust

☐ Other

Enter Taxpayer Identification Number below for the Beneficial Owner(s).

Social Security No. (for individuals)

or Taxpayer Identification No.

(for estates, trusts, corporations, etc.)

**PART II - TRANSACTIONS IN B&W COMMON STOCK**

Complete this Part II if and only if you purchased B&W publicly-traded common stock on the NYSE, on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or you purchased B&W stock on the NYSE on a "when issued" basis during the period from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive.

**A. Beginning Holdings:**

State the total number of shares of B&W common stock owned at the opening of trading on June 17, 2015, long or short (*must be documented*). If none, write "zero" or "0."

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**B. Purchases From June 17, 2015 Through August 9, 2017, Inclusive:**

Separately list each and every purchase (including free receipts) of B&W common stock from the opening of trading on June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive, and provide the following information (*must be documented*):

Trade Date (List Chronologically) (Month/Day/Year)	Number of B&W Common Stock Shares Purchased	Price	Total Cost (Excluding Commissions, Taxes, and Fees)	Transaction Type (P/R)*

\*P – Purchase, R – Received (Transfer-In)

**C. Purchases From August 10, 2017 Through November 7, 2017, Inclusive:**

State the total number of shares of B&W common stock purchased from after the opening of trading on August 10, 2017 through the close of trading on November 7, 2017 (*must be documented*). If none, write “zero” or “0.”<sup>1</sup>

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**D. Sales From June 17, 2015 Through November 7, 2017, Inclusive:**

Separately list each and every sale/disposition (including free deliveries) of B&W common stock during the period from June 17, 2015 through November 7, 2017, inclusive and provide the following information (*must be documented*):

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<sup>1</sup> Please note: Information requested with respect to your purchases of B&W common stock from after the opening of trading on August 10, 2017 through the close of trading on November 7, 2017 is needed in order to perform the necessary calculations for your claim; purchases during this period, however, are not eligible transactions and will not be used for purposes of calculating Recognized Loss Amounts pursuant to the Plan of Allocation.



Trade Date (List Chronologically) (Month/Day/Year)	Number of B&W Common Stock Shares Sold	Price	Amount Received (Excluding Commissions, Taxes, and Fees)	Transaction Type (S/D)*

\*S – Sale, D – Delivery (Transfer-Out)

**E. Ending Holdings:**

State the total number of B&W common stock shares owned at the close of trading on November 7, 2017, long or short (*must be documented*).

**If additional space is needed, attach separate, numbered sheets, giving all required information, substantially in the same format, and print your name and Social Security or Taxpayer Identification number at the top of each sheet.**

## CERTIFICATION

By signing and submitting this Claim Form, the claimant(s) or the person(s) who represent(s) the claimant(s) agree(s) to the Releases contained in the Notice and certifies (certify) as follows:

1. I (we) purchased B&W publicly-traded common stock and was (were) damaged thereby.
2. By submitting this Claim Form, I (we) state that I (we) believe in good faith that I am (we are) a Settlement Class Member as defined above and in the Notice, or am (are) acting for such person(s); that I am (we are) not a Defendant in the Action or anyone excluded from the Settlement Class; that I (we) have read and understand the Notice; that I (we) believe that I am (we are) entitled to receive a share of the Net Settlement Fund, as defined in the Notice; that I (we) elect to participate in the proposed Settlement described in the Notice; and that I (we) have not filed a request for exclusion.
3. I (we) consent to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to all questions concerning the validity of this Claim Form. I (we) understand and agree that my (our) claim may be subject to investigation and discovery under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, provided that such investigation and discovery shall be limited to my (our) status as a Settlement Class Member(s) and the validity and amount of my (our) claim. No discovery shall be allowed on the merits of the Action or Settlement in connection with processing of the Claim Form.
4. I (we) have set forth where requested above all relevant information with respect to each purchase of B&W publicly-traded common stock during the Class Period, and each sale, if any, as well as my(our) holdings as requested. I (we) agree to furnish additional information to the Claims Administrator to support this claim if requested to do so.
5. I (we) have enclosed photocopies of confirmation slips, account statements, or other documents evidencing each purchase, sale or retention of B&W publicly-traded common stock listed above in support of our claim.
6. I (we) understand that the information contained in this Claim Form is subject to such verification as the Claims Administrator may request or as the Court may direct, and I (we) agree to cooperate in any such verification. (The information requested herein is designed to provide the minimum amount of information necessary to process most simple claims. The Claims Administrator may request additional information as required to efficiently and reliably calculate your recognized claim. In some cases, the Claims Administrator may condition acceptance of the claim based upon the production of additional information, including, where applicable, information concerning transactions in any derivatives securities such as options.)
7. Upon the occurrence of the Effective Date, as defined in the Notice, I (we) agree and acknowledge that my (our) signature(s) hereto shall effect and constitute a full and complete release, remise and discharge by me (us) and my (our) heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors and assigns (or, if I am (we are) submitting this Claim Form on behalf of a corporation, a partnership, estate or one or more other persons, by it, him, her or them, and by its, his, her or their heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors and assigns) of each of the "Plaintiff Releasees", as defined in the Notice.
8. I (We) certify that I am (we are) NOT subject to backup withholding under the provisions of Section 3406 (a)(1)(c) of the Internal Revenue Code because: (a) I am (We are) exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I (We) have not been notified by the I.R.S. that I am (we are) subject to backup withholding as a result

of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the I.R.S. has notified me (us) that I am (we are) no longer subject to backup withholding.

NOTE: If you have been notified by the I.R.S. that you are subject to backup withholding, please strike out the language that you are not subject to backup withholding in the certification above.

UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I (WE) CERTIFY THAT ALL OF THE INFORMATION I (WE) PROVIDED ON THIS PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE IS TRUE, CORRECT AND COMPLETE.

Signature of Claimant (If this claim is being made  
on behalf of Joint Claimants, then each must sign)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Capacity of person(s) signing, e.g. beneficial  
purchaser(s), executor, administrator, trustee, etc.)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS CLAIM FORM MUST BE MAILED TO THE CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR BY FIRST-CLASS MAIL, OR SUBMITTED ONLINE AT [WWW.BABCOCKWILCOXSECURITIESLITIGATION.COM](http://WWW.BABCOCKWILCOXSECURITIESLITIGATION.COM), POSTMARKED (OR RECEIVED) NO LATER THAN \_\_\_\_\_, 2019. IF MAILED, THE CLAIMS FORM SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO:**

**Babcock & Wilcox Ent., Inc. Securities Litigation  
c/o JND Legal Administration  
P.O. Box 91095  
Seattle, WA 98111-9195**

If mailed, a Claim Form received by the Claims Administrator shall be deemed to have been submitted when posted, if mailed by \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, and if a postmark is indicated on the envelope and it is mailed first class and addressed in accordance with the above instructions. In all other cases, a Claim Form shall be deemed to have been submitted when actually received by the Claims Administrator.

### **REMINDER CHECKLIST**

- Please be sure to sign this Claim Form. If this Claim Form is submitted on behalf of joint claimants, then both claimants must sign.
- Please remember to attach supporting documents. Do NOT send any stock certificates. Keep copies of everything you submit.
- Do NOT use highlighter on the Claim Form or any supporting documents.
- If you move after submitting this Claim Form, please notify the Claims Administrator of the change in your address.

STIPULATION  
EXHIBIT A(3)

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

ERIC OLLILA, Individually and on Behalf of All  
Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

BABCOCK & WILCOX ENTERPRISES, INC.,  
E. JAMES FERLAND and JENNY L. APKER,

Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO.: 3:17-CV-00109

**SUMMARY NOTICE OF (I) PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION AND PROPOSED  
SETTLEMENT; (II) MOTION FOR AN AWARD OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND  
REIMBURSEMENT OF LITIGATION EXPENSES; AND  
(III) SETTLEMENT FAIRNESS HEARING**

**TO:** ALL PERSONS AND ENTITIES WHO PURCHASED BABCOCK & WILCOX ENTERPRISES, INC. ("B&W") COMMON STOCK ON THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, ON OTHER U.S. EXCHANGES OR IN A U.S. TRANSACTION, OR WHO PURCHASED B&W STOCK ON THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE ON A "WHEN ISSUED" BASIS DURING THE PERIOD FROM JUNE 17, 2015 THROUGH AUGUST 9, 2017, INCLUSIVE (THE "SETTLEMENT CLASS").

Certain persons and entities are excluded from the Settlement Class as set forth in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement dated June 21, 2019 ("Stipulation") and the Notice described below.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and an Order of the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina, that the above-captioned action ("Action") has been provisionally certified as a class action for the purposes of settlement only and that the parties to the Action have reached a proposed settlement of the Action ("Settlement"). A hearing will be held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, at \_\_\_\_\_m., before the Honorable Max O. Cogburn, United States District Judge, at the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina, 401 West Trade Street, Room 210, Charlotte, NC 28202, for the purpose of determining: a) whether the proposed Settlement of the claims alleged in the Action for Nineteen Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$19,500,000.00) is fair, reasonable, and adequate and should be approved by the Court; b) whether the Action should be dismissed with prejudice against the Defendants as set forth in



the Stipulation; c) whether the Settlement Class should be certified for purposes of settlement; d) whether the proposed Plan of Allocation is fair and reasonable and should be approved by the Court; e) whether Lead Counsel's request for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses should be approved by the Court; and f) any other relief the Court deems necessary to effectuate the terms of the Settlement.

IF YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE SETTLEMENT CLASS, YOUR RIGHTS WILL BE AFFECTED BY THE SETTLEMENT OF THIS ACTION, AND YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO SHARE IN THE SETTLEMENT FUND.

If you have not received a detailed Notice of (I) Pendency of Class Action and Proposed Settlement; (II) Motion for an Award of Attorneys' Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses; and (III) Settlement Fairness Hearing ("Notice") and Claim Form, you may obtain a copies by contacting the Claims Administrator by mail at Babcock & Wilcox Ent., Inc. Securities Litigation c/o JND Legal Administration, P.O. Box 91095, Seattle, WA 98111-9195, by email at [info@babcockwilcoxsecuritieslitigation.com](mailto:info@babcockwilcoxsecuritieslitigation.com), by telephone at 833-759-2979, or by the website at [www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com](http://www.BabcockWilcoxSecuritiesLitigation.com). If you are a Settlement Class Member, in order to share in the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund, you must submit a Claim Form by mail (*postmarked no later than* \_\_\_\_\_, 2019), or electronically *no later than* \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, establishing that you are entitled to recover. If you are a Settlement Class Member and do not submit a proper Claim Form, you will not be eligible to share in the distribution of the net proceeds of the Settlement but you will nevertheless be bound by any releases, judgments or orders entered by the Court in the Action.

If you are a Settlement Class Member, you have the right to object to the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, or the attorneys' fee and Litigation Expense applications, or otherwise request to be heard. To object, you must submit a written objection in accordance with the procedures described in the more detailed Notice, referred to above. Any written objection must be delivered to the following recipients so that it is *received no later than* \_\_\_\_\_, 2019: (a) the Clerk of the Court, United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina, 401 West Trade Street, Room 210, Charlotte, NC 28202; (b) Frederic S. Fox, Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP, 850 Third Avenue, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10022; and (c) John Latham, Alston & Bird LLP, One Atlantic Center, 1201 West Peachtree Street Suite 4900, Atlanta, GA 30309-3424. Note that the Court can only approve or deny the Settlement, not change the terms of the Settlement.

If you are a Settlement Class Member and wish to exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you must submit a request for exclusion such that it is *received no later than* \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, in accordance with the procedures described in the Notice. If you properly exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you will not be bound by any releases, judgments or orders entered by the Court in the Action and you will not be eligible to share in the net proceeds of the Settlement. Excluding yourself is the only option that allows you to be part of any other current or future lawsuit against Defendants or any of the other released parties concerning the claims being resolved by the Settlement. Please note, however, if you decide to exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you may be time-barred from asserting the claims covered by the Action by a statute of repose.

**PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE COURT, THE CLERK'S OFFICE, DEFENDANTS OR THEIR COUNSEL REGARDING THIS NOTICE.** If you have any questions about the Settlement, you may contact Lead Counsel at the address listed below:

Frederic S. Fox  
**KAPLAN FOX & KILSHEIMER LLP**  
850 Third Avenue, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10022  
(212) 687-1980  
mail@kaplanfox.com

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2019

By Order of the Clerk of Court  
United States District Court  
Western District of North Carolina

# STIPULATION EXHIBIT B

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

ERIC OLLILA, Individually and on Behalf of All  
Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

BABCOCK & WILCOX ENTERPRISES, INC.,  
E. JAMES FERLAND and JENNY L. APKER,

Defendants.

**CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:17-CV-109-  
MOC-DCK**

CLASS ACTION

**[PROPOSED] FINAL JUDGMENT AND ORDER OF DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE**

WHEREAS this matter came before the Court on the application of Lead Plaintiff for approval of the Settlement set forth in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement between the Parties dated June 21, 2019 (“Stipulation”);

WHEREAS, unless otherwise defined in this Judgment, the capitalized terms herein shall have the same meaning as they have in the Stipulation;

WHEREAS, by Order dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2019 (the “Preliminary Approval Order”), this Court (a) preliminarily approved the Settlement; (b) ordered that notice of the proposed Settlement be provided to potential Settlement Class Members; (c) provided Settlement Class Members the opportunity to opt out of the Settlement Class or object to the proposed Settlement; and (d) scheduled a hearing regarding final approval of the Settlement;

WHEREAS due and adequate notice of the Settlement was provided to the Settlement Class;

WHEREAS, the Court conducted a hearing on \_\_\_\_\_, 2019 (the “Settlement Fairness Hearing”) to consider, among other things, (a) whether the terms and conditions of the Settlement are fair, reasonable and adequate, and in the best interests of Lead Plaintiff and the other Settlement Class Members, and should therefore be approved; (b) whether the Settlement Class should be certified, and Lead Plaintiff and Lead Counsel appointed as Settlement Class Representative and Class Counsel, respectively; and (c) whether a judgment should be entered dismissing the Action with prejudice as against the Defendants; and

WHEREAS the Court having reviewed and considered the Stipulation, all papers filed and proceedings held herein in connection with the Settlement, all oral and written comments received regarding the Settlement, and the record in the Action, and good cause appearing therefor;

NOW, IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED:

1. **Jurisdiction.** This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the Action, all matters relating to the Settlement, and over all Parties to the Action, including all Settlement Class Members.

2. **Final Approval of Class Notice and Class Certification.** The Court hereby finds that the distribution of the Notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort, and the publication of the Summary Notice as provided for in the Preliminary Approval Order constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances of the matters set forth therein, and said notice fully satisfied the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 15 U.S.C. §§ 78 *et seq.*, as amended by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, the Constitution of the United States (including the requirements of due process), and any other applicable law.

3. Pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Court hereby grants final certification of the Settlement Class consisting of all persons and entities who purchased B&W publicly-traded common stock on the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”), on other U.S. exchanges or in a U.S. transaction, or who purchased B&W stock on the NYSE on a “when issued” basis during the period from June 17, 2015 through August 9, 2017, inclusive (the “Settlement Class”). Excluded from the Settlement Class are: (i) Defendants; (ii) members of the Immediate Family of any Defendant who is an individual; (iii) any person who was an officer or director of B&W during the Class Period; (iv) any firm, trust, corporation, or other entity in which any Defendant has or had a controlling interest; (v) B&W’s employee retirement and benefit plan(s) and their participants or beneficiaries, to the extent they made purchases through such plan(s); and (vi) the legal representatives, affiliates, heirs, successors-in-interest, or assigns of any such excluded person. Also excluded from the Settlement Class are those persons who have timely and validly requested exclusion from the Settlement Class pursuant to the Notice sent to potential Settlement Class Members. A list of such persons and entities who filed timely, completed, and valid requests for exclusion from the Settlement Class is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

4. With respect to the Settlement Class, the Court finds that, for purposes of effectuating the Settlement, the prerequisites for a class action under Rules 23(a) and (b)(3) have been satisfied. The members of the Settlement Class are so numerous that joinder of all Settlement Class Members in the class action is impracticable and there are questions of law and fact common to the Settlement Class which predominate over any individual questions. The claims of Lead Plaintiff are typical of the claims of the Settlement Class and Lead Plaintiff and its counsel have fairly and adequately represented and protected the interests of all of the



Settlement Class Members. A class action is also superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of the controversy, considering: (a) the interests of the members of the Settlement Class in individually controlling the prosecution of the separate actions; (b) the extent and nature of any litigation concerning the controversy already commenced by members of the Settlement Class; (c) the desirability or undesirability of continuing the litigation of these claims in this particular forum; and (d) the difficulties likely to be encountered in the management of the class action.

5. Pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and for purposes of settlement only, Lead Plaintiff Arkansas Teacher Retirement System is certified as Settlement Class Representative and Lead Counsel Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP is appointed as Class Counsel.

6. **Final Approval of Settlement and Dismissal of Claims.** Pursuant to Rule 23(e)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, this Court hereby approves the Settlement and finds that said Settlement is, in all respects, fair, reasonable, adequate to, and in the best interests of Lead Plaintiff, the Settlement Class, and each of the Settlement Class Members having considered and found that: (a) Lead Plaintiff and Lead Counsel have adequately represented the Settlement Class; (b) the proposal was negotiated at arm's length; ; (c) the relief provided for the Settlement Class is adequate, having taken into account (i) the costs, risks, and delay of trial and appeal; (ii) the effectiveness of any proposed method of distributing relief to the Settlement Class, including the method of processing Settlement Class Member claims; (iii) the terms of any proposed award of attorneys' fees, including timing of payment; and (iv) any agreement required to be identified under Rule 23(e)(3); and (4) the proposal treats Settlement Class Members equitably relative to each other. All objections to the proposed Settlement, if any, are overruled

in their entirety. Accordingly, the Settlement is hereby approved in all respects and shall be consummated in accordance with its terms and provisions. The Parties are hereby directed to perform the terms of the Stipulation.

7. Except as to any individual claim of those persons who have validly and timely requested exclusion from the Settlement Class, the Action and all claims contained therein, as well as all of the Released Claims, are dismissed with prejudice as against each and all of the Releasees. Lead Plaintiff and the Settlement Class will not make applications against any Defendants or other Defendant Releasees and Defendants will not make applications against Lead Plaintiff, the Settlement Class, and the other Plaintiff Releasees for fees, costs, or sanctions pursuant to Rule 11, Rule 37, Rule 45 or any other court rule or statute, with respect to any claims or defenses in this Action or to any aspect of the institution, prosecution, or defense of this Action. The Parties are to bear their own costs, except as provided in the Settlement and herein.

8. Neither the Plan of Allocation submitted by Lead Plaintiff nor any portion of this Order regarding the Plan of Allocation or the application for attorneys' fees and Litigation Expense reimbursement shall in any way disturb or affect the finality of any other portion of this Judgment, nor delay the Effective Date of the Stipulation, and each shall be considered separate for the purposes of appellate review of this Judgment.

9. **Binding Effect.** The terms of the Stipulation and of this Judgment shall be forever binding on the Defendants, Lead Plaintiff and all other Settlement Class Members (regardless of whether or not any individual Settlement Class Member submits a Claim Form or seeks or obtains a distribution from the Net Settlement Fund), as well as their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, and assigns.

10. **Releases.** The releases as set forth in paragraphs 5 and 6 of the Stipulation, together with the definitions contained in paragraph 1 of the Stipulation relating thereto, are expressly incorporated herein in all respects. Accordingly, this Court orders that:

(a) Without further action by anyone, and subject to paragraphs 11 and 12 below, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Lead Plaintiff and each of the other Settlement Class Members, on behalf of themselves, their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors and assigns in their capacities as such, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of law and of this Judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived and discharged each and every Released Plaintiff's Claim against the Defendant Releasees and shall forever be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Plaintiff's Claims against any of the Defendant Releasees. This Release shall not apply to any person who has submitted a request for exclusion from the Settlement Class that has been accepted by the Court, as set forth on Exhibit 1 hereto.

(b) Without further action by anyone, and subject to paragraphs 11 and 12 below, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Defendants, on behalf of themselves, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, and assigns in their capacities as such, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of law and of this Judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived and discharged each and every Released Defendants' Claim against the Plaintiff Releasees, and shall forever be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Defendants' Claims against any of the Plaintiff Releasees. This Release shall not apply to any person who has submitted a request for exclusion from the Settlement Class that has been accepted by the Court, as set forth on Exhibit 1 hereto.

11. Notwithstanding ¶¶ 10(a) – (b) above, nothing in this Judgment shall bar any action by any of the Parties to enforce or effectuate the terms of the Stipulation or this Judgment.

12. Notwithstanding ¶¶ 10(a) – (b) above, nothing in this Judgment shall release any of the claims expressly excluded from the definition of Released Plaintiff's Claims at paragraph 1(l) of the Stipulation.

13. **No Admissions.** Neither the Stipulation, including the exhibits thereto and the Plan of Allocation (or any other plan of allocation that may be approved by the Court) and Settlement contained therein, the negotiations leading to the execution of the Stipulation, nor any proceedings taken pursuant to or in connection with the Stipulation and/or approval of the Settlement (including any arguments proffered in connection therewith):

(a) shall be offered against any of the Defendant Releasees as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession, or admission by any of the Defendant Releasees with respect to the truth of any fact alleged by Lead Plaintiff or the validity of any claim that was or could have been asserted or the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted in this Action or in any other litigation, or of any liability, negligence, fault, or other wrongdoing of any kind of any of the Defendant Releasees or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of the Defendant Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Stipulation;

(b) shall be offered against any of the Plaintiff Releasees, as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession or admission by any of the Plaintiff Releasees that any of their claims are without merit, that any of the Defendant Releasees had meritorious defenses, that damages recoverable under the Complaint would not

have exceeded the Settlement Amount, or with respect to any liability, negligence, fault or wrongdoing of any kind, or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of the Plaintiff Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Stipulation; or

(c) shall be construed against any of the Releasees as an admission, concession, or presumption that the consideration to be given hereunder represents the amount which could be or would have been recovered after trial;

*provided, however,* that the Parties and the Releasees and their respective counsel may refer to the Stipulation to effectuate the protections from liability granted thereunder or otherwise to enforce the terms of the Settlement.

14. **Plan of Allocation.** Pursuant to and in full compliance with Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Court finds and concludes that due and adequate notice was directed to all Settlement Class Members advising them of the Plan of Allocation and of their right to object, and a full and fair opportunity was given to all Settlement Class Members to be heard with respect to the Plan of Allocation. The Court finds that the formula for the calculation of the claims of Authorized Claimants, which is set forth in the Notice sent to Settlement Class Members, provides a fair and reasonable basis upon which to allocate among Settlement Class Members the proceeds of the Settlement Fund established by the Stipulation, with due consideration having been given to administrative convenience and necessity. The Court hereby finds and concludes that the Plan of Allocation set forth in the Notice is in all respects fair and reasonable and the Court hereby approves the Plan of Allocation.

15. After completion of the processing of all claims by the Claims Administrator, the Escrow Agent shall disburse the Net Settlement Fund in accordance with the Stipulation and Plan of Allocation.

16. **Attorneys' Fees and Litigation Expenses.** Pursuant to and in full compliance with Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Court finds and concludes that due and adequate notice was directed to all Settlement Class Members advising them: (a) that Lead Counsel would seek an award of attorneys' fees of up to 25% of the Settlement Fund and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses incurred in connection with the prosecution of the Action not to exceed \$400,000; and (b) that Settlement Class Members had a right to object to such application(s). A full and fair opportunity was given to all persons who are Settlement Class Members to be heard with respect to the application for the award of attorneys' fees and expenses. The Court finds and concludes that the requested fee award is reasonable and awards attorneys' fees of 25% percent of the Settlement Fund, plus reimbursement of Litigation Expenses totaling \$\_\_\_\_\_, which includes the reimbursement of Lead Plaintiff's costs and expenses of \$\_\_\_\_\_. These amounts are to be paid from the Settlement Fund pursuant to the terms of the Stipulation.

17. **Retention of Jurisdiction.** Without affecting the finality of this Judgment in any way, this Court hereby retains continuing jurisdiction over: (a) implementation of this Settlement; (b) disposition of the Settlement Fund; (c) hearing and determining applications for attorneys' fees, Litigation Expenses, and interest in the Action; and (d) all Parties hereto for the purpose of construing, enforcing, and administering the Stipulation and this Judgment.

18. **Rule 11 Findings.** The Court finds that during the course of the Action, the Parties and their respective counsel at all times complied with the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 11.

19. **Termination.** If the Effective Date does not occur or the Settlement is terminated as provided in the Stipulation, then this Judgment (and any orders of the Court relating to the Settlement) shall be vacated, rendered null and void and be of no further force or effect, except as otherwise provided by the Stipulation.

20. **Extensions By Agreement.** Without further order of the Court, the Parties may agree to reasonable extensions of time to carry out any of the provisions of the Stipulation.

21. **Entry of Final Judgment.** There is no just reason for delay in the entry of this Judgment and immediate entry by the Clerk of the Court is expressly directed pursuant to Rule 54(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

DATED:

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THE HONORABLE MAX O. COGBURN JR.  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA